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## SIGNIFICANT SILVER INVESTIGATION BY AMERICAN TREASURY

### DOLFFUSS MAY DELAY APPEAL

Austro-German Rift Still Acute.

MATTER MAY BE REFERRED TO BIG POWERS

Vienna, To-day.

The Austro-German issue is still doubtful. A communiqué shows that the Austrian Cabinet has empowered the Chancellor, Dr. Engelbert Dollfuss, to submit the dispute to the League of Nations, but leaves the questions of date and method to his discretion. It also empowers him to take other action.

There is an opinion in some circles that Dr. Dollfuss may submit the matter to the Powers, particularly the signatories of the Four Power Pact.

A message from Geneva states that if Dr. Dollfuss decides to appeal, it is believed most likely that the League will appoint a Committee of Enquiry in accordance with Articles 16 of the League Covenant but there, is an opinion that he may postpone the appeal indefinitely.—Reuter.

### BRITISH POLICY UNCHANGED.

### "Safety Of Austria Is Essential."

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, stated in reply to a question in the House of Commons yesterday that His Majesty's Government were watching the situation in Austria with the closest attention adding that the statement of the Government's attitude, as given by him in the House of Commons on December 21, still represents their policy in the matter.

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### HAI NING STILL STRANDED

Efforts To Move Her Unavailing.

### SVALE RETURNS TO HONG KONG

The Coastal steamer Hai Ning of the Douglas Steamship Company, which ran ashore near Swatow late on Saturday evening, is still aground, and, despite all efforts by the s.s. Halching, also of the Douglas fleet, on Sunday afternoon, remains firmly embedded in the sand.

The s.s. Svale of the same line is returning to Hong Kong from the scene of the stranding.

The Kowloon Dock's salvage tug Henry Keswick left Hong Kong yesterday for the scene of the stranding, but although she is in wireless communication with the Dockyard, no news has yet been received from her.

Captain Walker, skipper of the Hai Ning, who was transferred from his vessel to the s.s. Cremier and brought back to Hong Kong, was yesterday admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from suspected typhoid.

Inquiries made this afternoon reveal no change in the condition of Captain Walker. The hospital authorities can make no definite statement at present, but a blood test has been made and the result will probably be known to-morrow.

### \$835,000 TO BUY PURSUIT PLANES FOR CHINA

#### Railway Employees' Donation For Tea Machines

Nanking, To-day. The Chinese Ministry of Railways has handed to the National Aviation Reconstruction Committee a sum of \$835,000 for the purchase of 10 pursuit planes from America.

The money has been contributed by employees of the Government railways.—Reuter's Pacific Service.

### BRITISH TRADE IN MANCHUKUO

#### Commercial Secretary Transferred.

#### ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION THROUGH CONSULATES

London, To-day. The suggestion that a British Trade Commissioner should be appointed to Manchukuo was yesterday made by Capt. A. V. G. Dower, Conservative member for Stockport, in the House of Commons.

The Parliamentary Secretary for Overseas Trade, Lt.-Col. D. J. Colville in his reply, recalled that a Commercial Secretary had been appointed in August, 1930, to reside at Harbin but was transferred to Peking because it was found that his services were more urgently needed elsewhere.

Lt.-Col. Colville said that the British trade interests in Manchukuo were adequately represented by His Majesty's Consular officers, but he fully appreciated the importance of the point raised by Captain Dower, and assured him that the position will be carefully watched.—Reuter.

### BRITISH POSTAL REVENUE.

#### Big Rise In Surplus For Last Fiscal Year.

London, To-day.

The Post Office commercial accounts for the financial year 1932/33 have been presented to Parliament by the Postmaster General.

For the year ended March 31 last Post Office business resulted in a net surplus, after charging interest on capital, of £11,055,717, as compared with £10,631,794 in 1931/32.—British Wireless Service.

### STOP PRESS

#### CAPTURE OF PINGLO REPORTED.

#### Ninghsia Besieged By Sun Tien-ying.

Peking, To-day.

Chinese advises report that Pinglo, a town 33 miles from the city of Ninghsia has been captured by the troops of General Sun Tien-ying, who killed the commander of the defenders and 4,000 of the garrison.

The explosion of a mine near Pinglo is stated to have killed 700 work-people. The invaders have also occupied the chingchien district near Pinglo.

Some 15,000 of Sun Tien-ying's troops are estimated to be besieging Ninghsia, which is still held by the Provincial troops.—Reuter's Pacific Service.

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The price of gold yesterday rose 1/8d, to a new high record of 27 an ounce.

A total of about £1,640,000 worth of gold was sold in the London bullion market, yesterday.—British Wireless Service.

### ENQUIRE LOCATION OF STOCKS

### MAY INDICATE FUTURE LEGISLATION

### SILVER'S PARALLEL ADVANCE WITH GOLD SINCE LAST OCTOBER

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

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WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

IT IS AUTHORITATIVELY LEARNED THAT THE TREASURY LAST WEEK INVESTIGATED THE AMOUNT OF SILVER HELD BY VARIOUS NEW YORK CITY DEPOSITORS. SOME TRADERS BELIEVE THAT THE INVESTIGATION MIGHT BE PRELIMINARY TO SILVER LEGISLATION SHORTLY.

It is estimated that 111,000,000 ounces are held in New York, although no definite figures are available. Silver has been easier recently due to the lack of a definite legislative outlook.

The United States Treasury Secretary, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, yesterday said that the Treasury had begun an exhaustive inquiry into the location of all speculative silver stocks in the United States. Mr. Morgenthau refused to reveal the reason or the possible significance of connections with future monetary policy.

"We are trying to collect information as to who holds speculative silver," he said.

Treasury representatives in New York are compiling information from the licensed silver dealers and others.

Mr. Morgenthau called attention to the fact that the silver price, since the gold programme began on October 21, had advanced 20 per cent., closely parallel to the 21 per cent. rise in the gold price.

The Treasury announced that 214,657 ounces of silver had been received for coining up to February 2.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

### SILVER RECORDS AVAILABLE.

#### Metal Exchange Transactions.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

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Washington, Later.

No silver move is imminent in the United States, according to a statement made by Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, yesterday.—United Press, per S. C. Gold Bar Co.

### SILVER MYSTERY.

#### Pittman's Amendment May Be Used.

New York, To-day.

The silver mystery has been deepened by Mr. Henry Morgenthau's cryptic remark that since October 10 the gold price has advanced 21 per cent. and the silver price 20 per cent.; and also by his non-committal answer to questions as to whether the Government suspects illegitimate activity in silver or whether some further monetary action towards silver is imminent, perhaps by utilizing Senator Key Pittman's amendment.

Meanwhile the Treasury's daily statement has listed the gold holdings at U. S. \$7,020,000. The increase is attributed to imported gold.

The statement also indicates that the stabilization fund is not yet working.

The Federal mints have received 117,564 ounces of silver.—Reuter.

### LOCAL DOLLAR UNCHANGED.

#### Silver Declines.

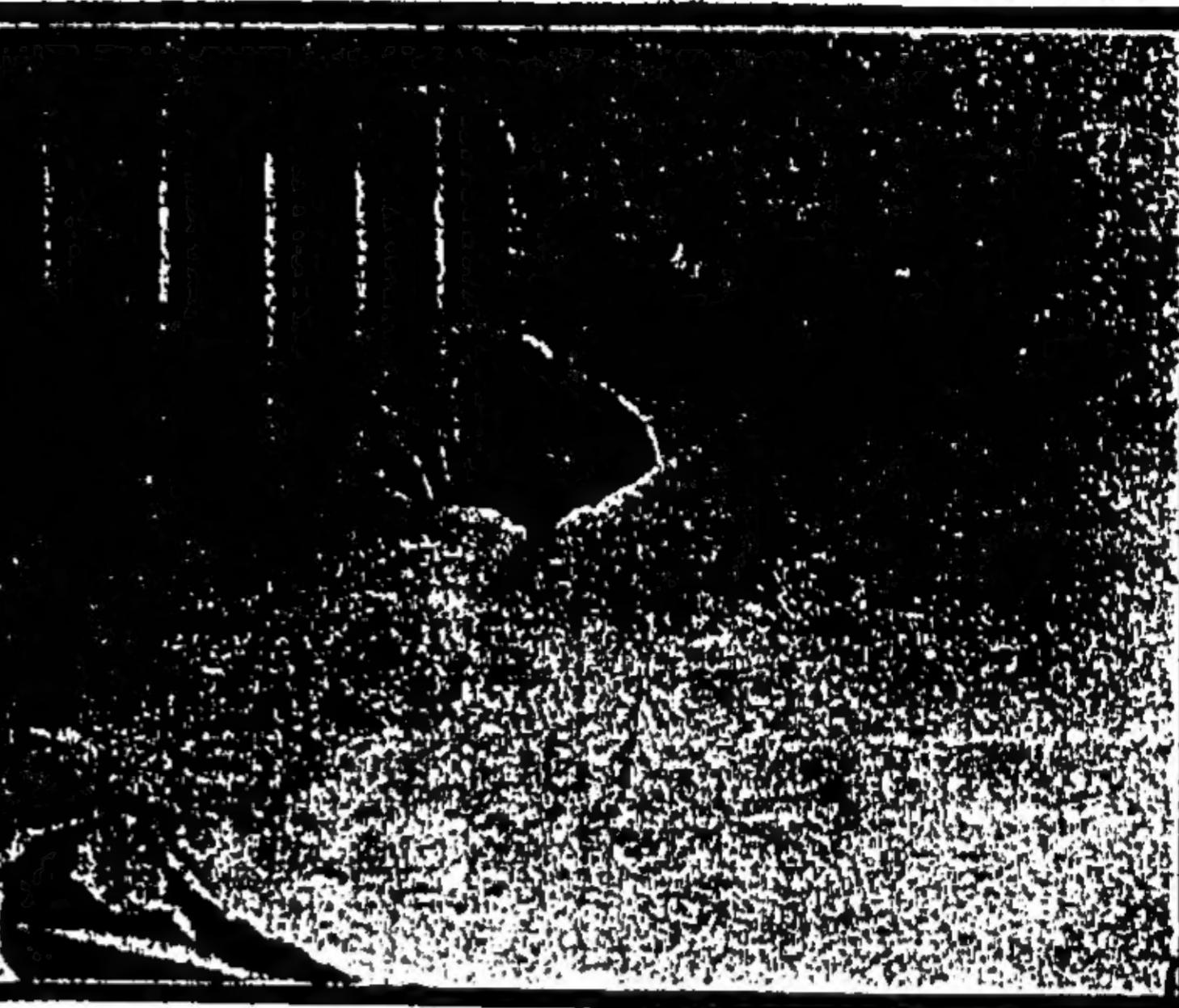
London, To-day.

The dollar is unchanged, opening today at 1/6%.

Spot silver declined 5/16 yesterday, closing at 19 1/2, while forward dropped 4/16, closing at 19 11/16.

The cross rate for both London and New York and New York on London is 2.624-2.625.

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Serge Alexandre Stavisky, the audacious Russian swindler, who organised the Bayonne bond fraud, on his death-bed at Chamonix, where he was taken after being found shot in a villa near the town. It was officially stated that he committed suicide, but Paris is largely incredulous of this conclusion.—(S. & G.).

### EASTERN SIBERIA BENEFITS

#### Lower Grain Tributes And Higher Wages.

Moscow, To-day.

The salaries of the Red Army troops in parts of Eastern Siberia and Transbaikalia will be raised by a decree signed by M. Stalin and M. Molotov, according to the Tass News agency. The decree also effects a rise of 10 to 30 per cent. in the wages of office workers.

Collective farms and their workers are relieved from obligatory grain deliveries to the State for six years, and individual peasants for three years. The measures are intended to facilitate the labour conditions of the workers and the economic conditions of the settlers in these regions and in the Burat-Mongolian Republic.—Reuter.

### A SHORT REVOLT BY TUNGANS

#### Chinese Turkestan Fighting.

URUMCHI SURVIVES

Moscow, To-day.

Severe fighting is reported to be raging in Chinese Turkestan between the Provincial troops and an army of Tungans, commanded by General Ma Chung-yin.

General Ma is reported to possess vast supplies of ammunition but has so far failed to take Urumchi. His troops have suffered heavy losses while Loyalist reinforcements are rushing to support the Urumchi garrison.

The Tungans are reported to be abandoning the revolt and surrendering their arms.—Reuter.

### GRIMSBY WIN AT PORT VALE.

#### Big Step Towards Promotion.

London, To-day.

Grimsbay Town took a big step towards promotion to the premier soccer league yesterday when they beat Port Vale on their own ground by the only goal scored.

Southampton recorded two valuable points as the result of a home win over Swansea by a single goal. The Welsh Club are now third from the foot of the table.

Grimsbay have now established a lead of 7 points over Brentford.

Despite the efforts of the signatories, Bulgaria has declined to become a party to the Pact, the text of which has not yet been disclosed.—Reuter.

### ALARM IN PARIS

#### 30,000 POLICE AND TROOPS AVAILABLE

Many Rumours Of Revolution.

MACHINE-GUNS MOUNTED IN CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

Paris, To-day.

The city was full of the wildest alarmist rumours yesterday in which the words "Coup d'Etat" and "Revolution" were freely bandied.

Twenty thousand Police, gendarmes and troops are available to quell any violence, though it is improbable that troops will be conspicuous unless the Police are overwhelmed.

According to the *Action Sociale*, machine-guns are mounted in the Chamber of Deputies itself, but since traffic is stopped for half-a-mile round the Chamber, they are not likely to be used. "If there is a single demonstration, you will be dismissed" is the warning given by the Minister of the Interior to M. Chiappe's successor, M. Sibour, and the warning has been passed on to the various Police chiefs.—Reuter.

### FRANC DECLINES IN PARIS.

Due To Attacks By Political Party.

Paris, To-day.

The steep rise of dollars and sterling in Paris, yesterday, did not result from the fundamental weakness of the franc, according to impartial observers, who deduce from the fact that forward premiums on sterling rose to 60 centimes for one month and to 1 franc 60 centimes for three months, that the market was manipulated from the outset by opponents of the Socialist Party who are seeking to discredit it.

The price of gold in London no longer responds to true parity with the franc rate, as few operators can undertake to ship gold owing to the unknown factor constituted by the sterling rate.

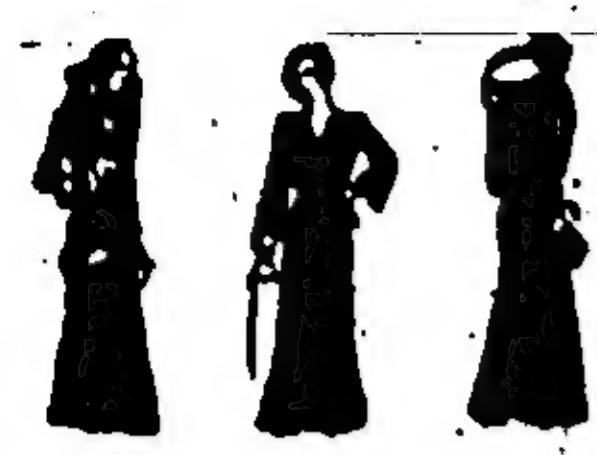
Technical difficulties of shipping gold freely from Paris is also responsible for the rise in sterling, as gold shipments cannot sufficiently compensate the demands for sterling.—Reuter.

### GERMAN-POLISH PEACE PACT.

Satisfaction In Britain.

London, To-day.

Replies to a question in the House of Commons, yesterday, regarding the German-Polish Pact of non-aggression, the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, said that the two Governments concerned had been informed of the satisfaction with which His Majesty's Government had learned of the conclusion of the Pact.—British Wireless Service.



# The WOMAN'S Page



## Simplicity The Keynote

Rules For The Smartly Dressed Woman.

HARMONY LIES IN LINES

It may be laid down as a rule that the smartest frock nine times out of ten is the simplest. That doesn't necessarily mean frocks devoid of ornament, or plain to the point of monotony.

The truly simple frock is built around an idea, and every line and detail serve to bring out and emphasize that idea. If these are trimming, it is related to the design in a close, necessary way. These are harmony in the lines, and an appreciation of the part detail plays.

In every smartly designed frock, there is a centre of interest. It may be the skirt, or the blouse, the neckline, or the shoulders. But if the dress is to be really chic, and effective, it will stress some one feature, and not three or four.

If, for instance, you are buying an evening gown, you will be wise to choose one that concentrates the interest on say, the bodice, keeping the skirt simple.

Or, if you choose a gown, in which interest is placed on the skirt, you will want to make sure that the bodice is not over-trimmed.

This is a principle that ought to be self-evident, but it is often violated. Yet, it is rather important that women should realize the importance of having just one real point of interest in a costume.

When a painter paints a picture, he does this very thing. He consciously or unconsciously selects a point of interest and by skilful use of colour and design, calls one's attention to this point. The woman, who wishes to be smartly dressed, must also abide by this rule.

## WOOD HANDBAGS NEW NOVELTY

### In Natural Colours

Leather, silk or velvet materials are always popular for flat hand bags, but the very newest novelty, in this line is made of very thin wood.

It has its own natural colour, and the marking is left as an ornamentation.

These bags fasten with a square knob, also of wood, and are lined with a very dashing brown and white checked gingham.

To keep velvet hats in good condition rub them with a piece of velvet the way of the nap.

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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## Winter Jewellery Trend

### Frocks Not Complete Without Necklace.

#### FOR DAY AND EVENING

This winter women are wearing many jewels. No frock is entirely complete unless it possesses its own particular necklace or clip, designed in stones that match or tone with the colouring of the gown. And this applies as much to day-time dresses as to those designed for evening wear.

Undoubtedly much of the popularity of this vogue is due to the charming jewel arrangements that are designed by the modern jewelers and jewel-craft artists. These gleaming clusters of precious and semi-precious stones in their beautiful settings of white gold or platinum are most attractive, and bestow distinction on both the gown and the wearer, however simple the chosen dress may be.

For many of the newest type of necklace which oft-times a marvellous amount of skill is expended in the workmanship. This is seen in a fascinating range of colour from the palest shades to the deeper greens. Green tourmalines are used a great deal, and the sea-green zircon is also used for jewel clusters arranged as clips or as long pendant earrings, and, of course, in necklaces.

Coming season. Stiff silks, like faille, taffeta and bengaline, are brilliant examples.

Real evening gowns are long, slenderising, clinging creations that flatter everyone who wears them.

### EVENING GOWNS ARE LONG.

### Poured-In Silhouette May Score.

The poured-in silhouette, moulded in slimmer lines, is one which looks the most promising for the

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## Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

### TIFFIN

Stuffed Cucumbers

Tomatoes au Gratin

Boiled Chicken with Macaroni

Grated Cheese

Lemon Souffle

Lemon Custard Sauce

### DINNER

French Lentil Soup

Cod a la Maltaise

Pigeons a la Godard

Veal Salad

Raisin Dumplings

Melted Butter Sauce

Stuffed Cucumbers

Select large cucumbers and cut them into pieces about 2½ inches long. Take out the centre with a cutter, and fill them with sausages meat. Braise the cucumbers slowly for about 20 minutes. Dress on croutons of fried bread, brushed over with freshly made glaze. Have some round pieces of ham and put on as lids, and pour brown sauce round. A few tomatoes au gratin placed round the dish will greatly add to the appearance of this entrée.

Lemon Souffle

1 oz butter, 1 oz. flour, 1 gill milk, 3 eggs, ½ lemon; and about ½ oz. sugar. Melt the butter, stir in the flour, when blended add the milk, sugar, the lemon rind grated, and stir until boiling. Remove from stove, beat in the yolks of eggs, whilst the whites of the eggs go into a stiff froth, and stir lightly in. Pour the mixture into a well-greased plain mould and steam very slowly for about 40 minutes. Turn on to a hot dish and pour round the base a lemon flavoured custard sauce.

French Lentil Soup

½ pint soaked lentils, 1 gill white haricot beans. 2 quarts stock, 3 oz. butter, 1 bouquet of garni, 1 gill cream, a handful of fried bread croutons, a pinch powdered mint, pepper and salt to taste.

Drain the lentils, put them with the haricot beans in a stewpan with the butter and the bouquet of herbs, fry a little, moisten with the stock, and cook until the lentils and beans are tender. Take out the bouquet, rub through a sieve, return to the stewpan, add the cream and mint, season to taste, heat up (but do not let it boil), put the peas and croutons in a soup tureen, pour in the soup and serve.

Cod a la Maltaise

About 2½ lb. codfish (middle-cut), ½ pint veloute sauce, 1 gill white wine, 2 small shallots (chopped fine), 1 gill white stock, 2 oz. butter, 2 yolks of eggs, 1 teaspoon anchovy paste, 2 teaspoonsful capers, 1 teaspoon chopped parsley, 1 small bunch parsley and herbs (bouquet garni).

Wash and wipe the fish well, place it in a stewpan with pepper and salt and add veloute sauce, white wine, stock, chopped shallots, and bouquet garni. Simmer slowly until the fish is done, basting occasionally. Put the fish on a dish and keep warm. Reduce the sauce until you obtain the desired consistency. Remove the herbs, add the yolks of eggs, work in the butter, and pass through a sieve. Return

to saucepan, add the anchovy paste, chopped parsley and capers, stir a few minutes and pour over fish.

Pigeons a la Godard

Bone 2 or more pigeons. Prepare a forcemeat of veal and pork.

Well season and stuff the birds with this. Trim the pigeons, braise them with some pieces of carrot,

onion, bacon and herbs and a little sherry and when ready cut them into slices and dish up on a hot dish. Pour over a rich supreme sauce flavoured with some of the liquid obtained from braising the pigeons. Garnish with button mushrooms. Serve hot. It is advisable to dress the pigeons on croutons of fried bread.

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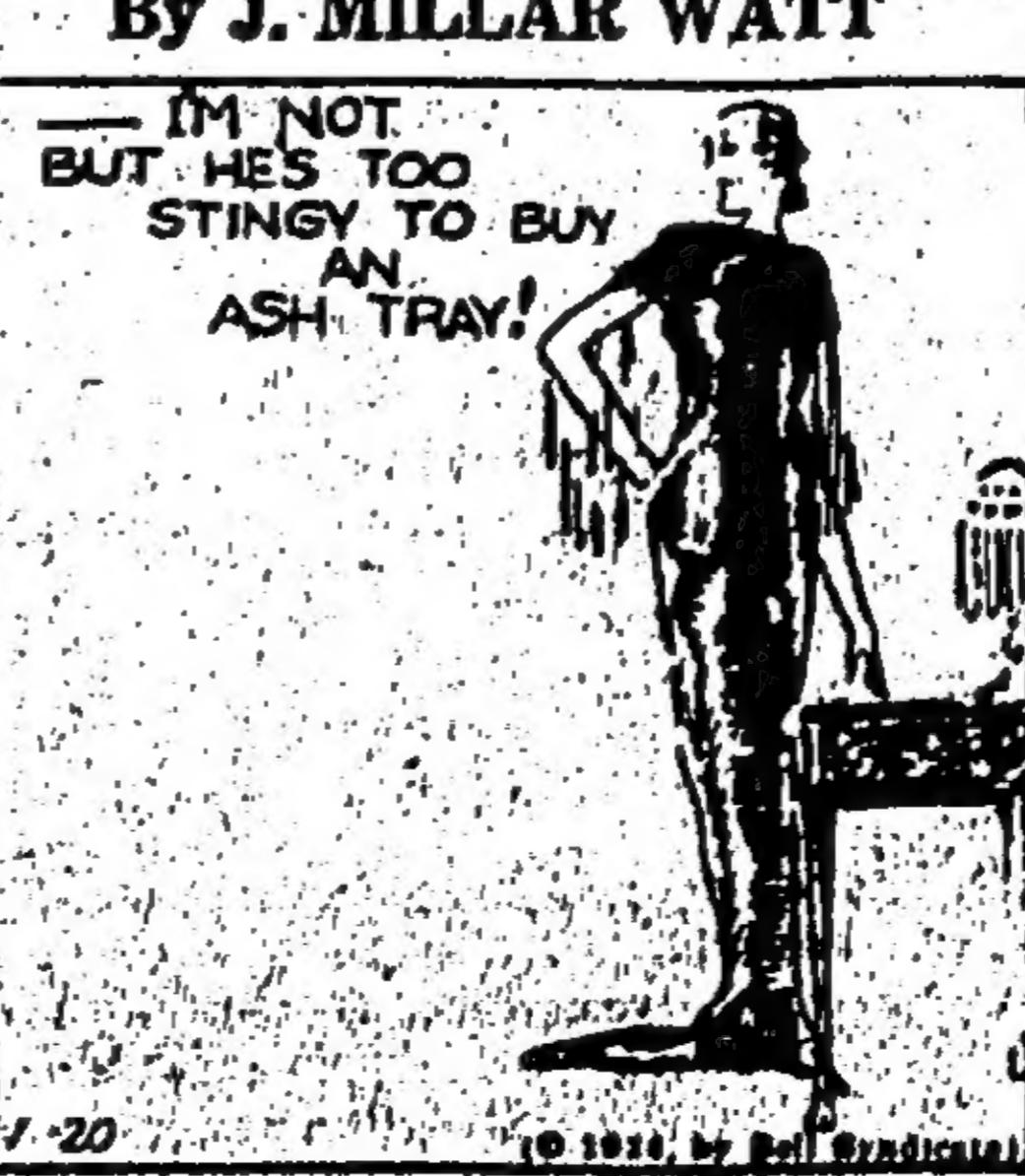
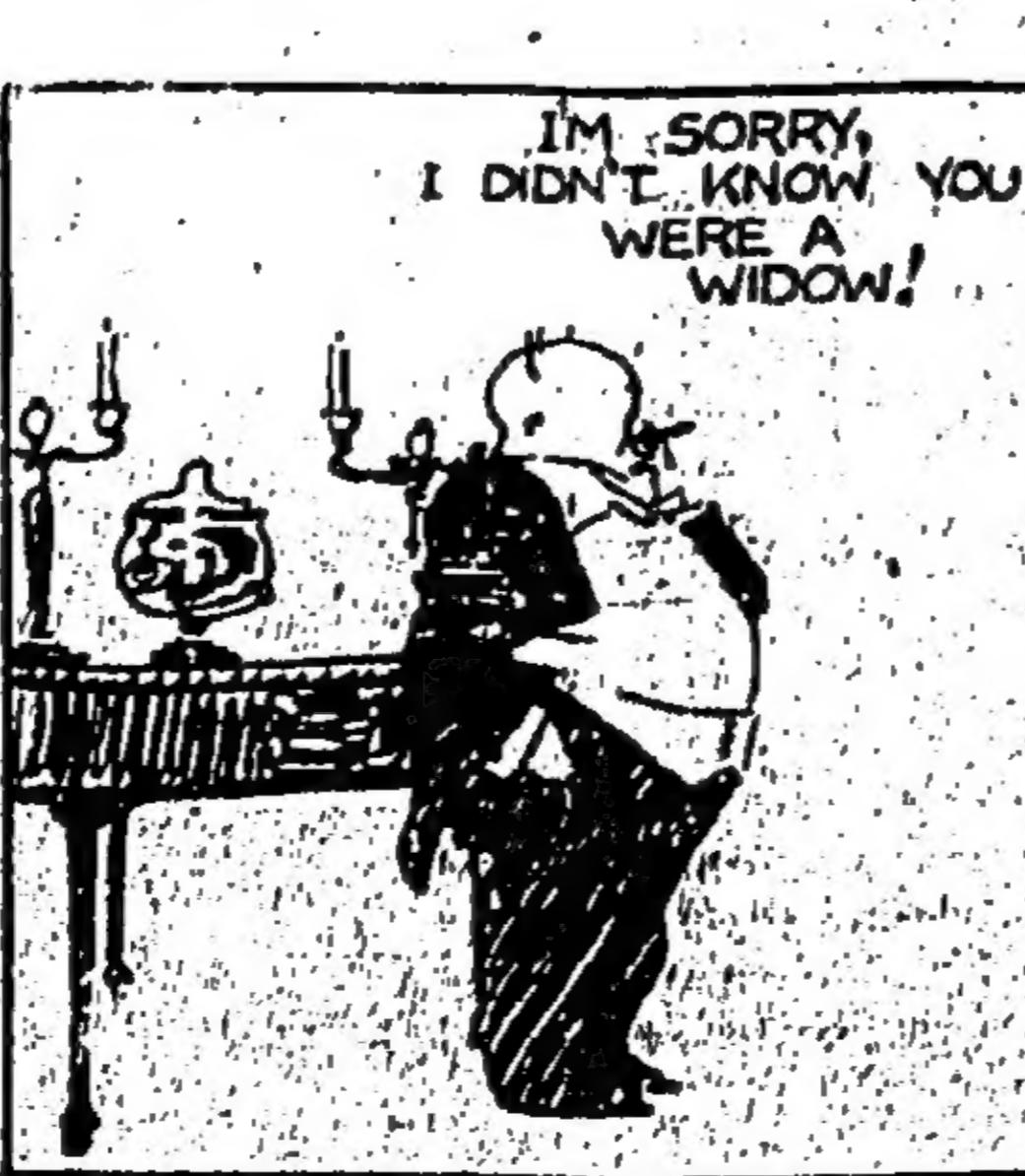
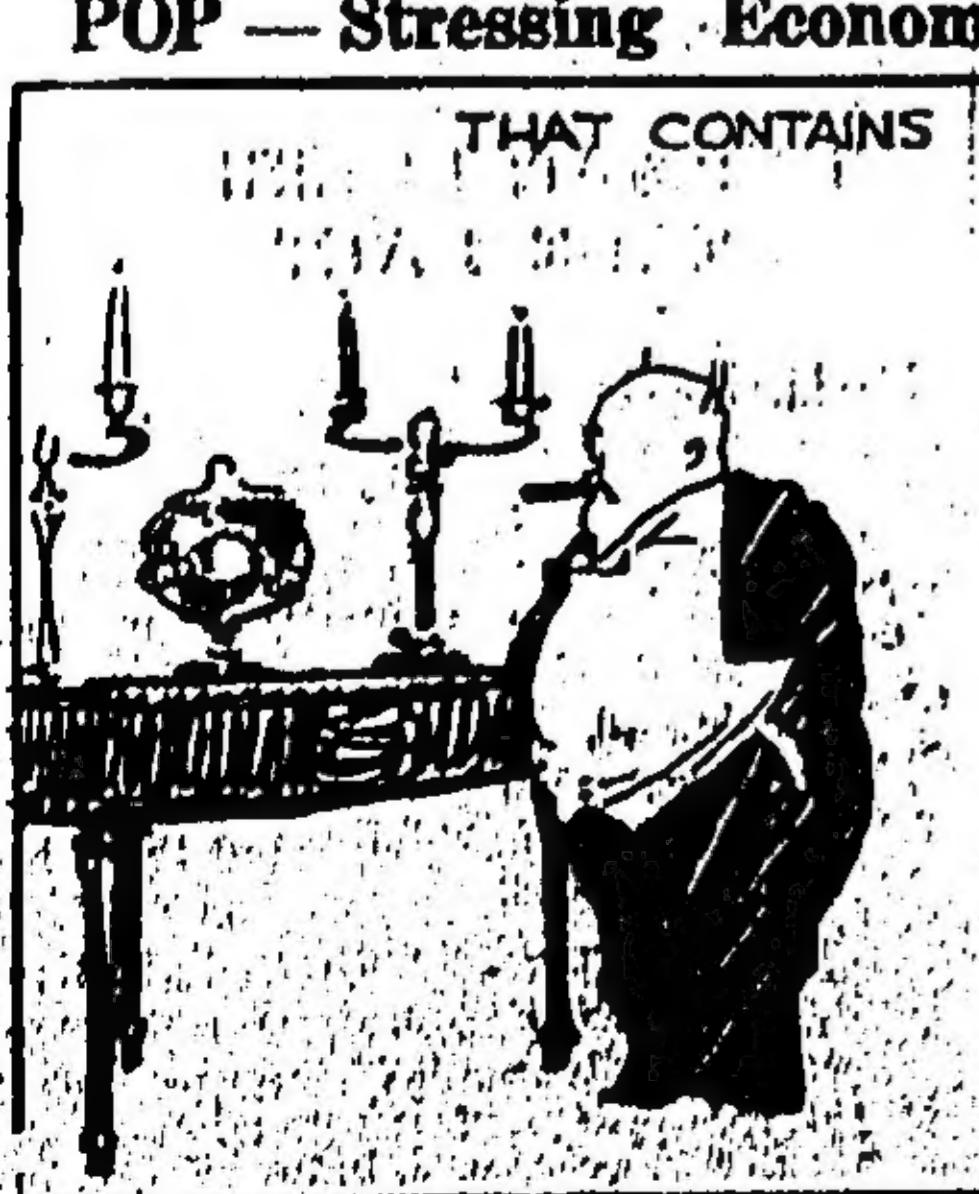


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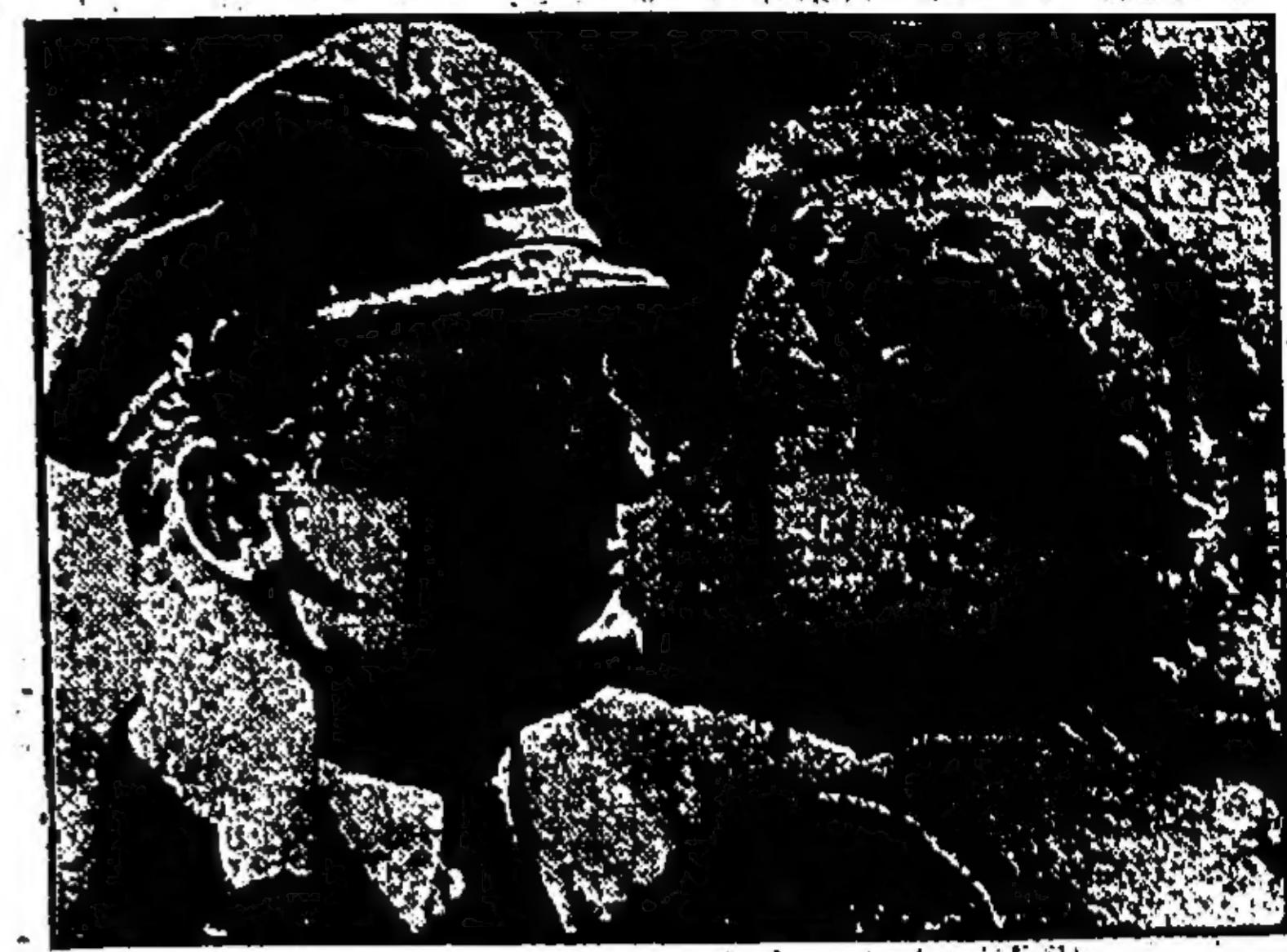
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## COMPANY MEETINGS

**THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.**  
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 18, Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 24th February, 1934, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1933.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 31st January, 1934 to Thursday, the 8th February, 1934, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
F. H. CHAPPELL,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 24th January, 1934.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LIMITED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong on MONDAY, the 12th February, 1934, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1933.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 30th January to MONDAY, 12th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 23rd January, 1934.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 12, Des Voeux Road Central, at 2.30 p.m. SATURDAY, the 10th February, 1934, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1933.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 3rd February to SATURDAY, 10th February, 1934, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
KAN TONG PO,  
Chief Manager.  
Hong Kong, 23rd January, 1934.

## DENTISTS.

## Devastation After California Rainstorm



Scenes of devastation which followed the deluge in the flood struck. The chaos of wrecked automobiles Southern California, which took a terrible toll in lives testifies the damage done here. Below, twisted timber and property. At top, a Los Angeles night club, bars and other wreckage are all that mark the site where 400 persons were hailing the New Year, when of a once beautiful home.

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## A DESPERATION PLAY

When you are playing in a Duplicate game which is being scored on a match-point basis there are many plays which must be made and many chances which must be taken which no good player would dream of taking in Rubber Bridge.

In Rubber Bridge if one is playing a game contract which can be made, one should never jeopardize this contract merely in order to make one or two over-tricks, as it is quite easy to see that the percentages are decidedly against risking a four-or six-hundred-point loss in an effort to make a thirty-or sixty-point gain. However, when the game is being scored on a match-point basis, an extra trick may be the difference between a top and a bottom score, and as such is definitely worth trying for.

The hand below was played by Mr. Samuel Fry, Jr., of New York City, in the All-American Pair Championships held at Hanover, N.H., last month.

North, Dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable:

NORTH:  
S-K 9 8 4  
H-K 7  
D-5 4 2  
C-A K 6 3  
EAST:  
S-5 3 2  
H-J 4  
D-K J 8  
C-8 5 4 2  
SOUTH:  
S-A Q 10 6  
H-Q 9 8 6  
D-Q 3  
C-Q J 10  
WEST:  
S-J 7  
H-A 10 5 3 2  
D-A 10 9 7 6  
C-7

The bidding: (Figure after bid refers to numbered explanatory paragraph.)

North	East	South	West
1C	Pass	18	Pass
2S	Pass	2NT	Pass
3S	Pass	2NT (1)	Pass
Pass	Pass		

1—This bid by Mr. Fry is quite doubtful. After his partner's spade raise and subsequent return to three spades, four spades would probably be the better bid. However, with his balanced hand, Mr. Fry decided that the hand would produce as many tricks as no-trumps as at spades, and with the match-point scoring in mind

he decided to gamble for a top by not playing the hand at the suit declaration.

West had no way of choosing between his two five-card suits for an Open lead and finally decided upon his fourth-best heart. Before playing a card from Dummy, Declarer took stock of the situation.

He saw that if West held the Ace of hearts, or even if East held it and did not immediately shift, his contract of three notrump was assured, unless the spade suit broke very disastrously. However, Mr. Fry further saw that the contract of four spades seemed equally certain, and it occurred to him that probably at every other table the hand would be played at that declaration. And, he reflected, the twenty points difference between three notrump and four spades would be more than enough to give him a bottom score on the board.

Therefore the problem was not how to make three notrump, but how to make four notrump and turn a threatening bottom score into a top. With spades and clubs having been bid, it seemed almost certain that if Declarer tried to set up another heart trick in the usual way the opponents would almost automatically shift to diamonds and defeat the contract at least one trick. The only hope, therefore, seemed to be to employ deception and force the unwitting opponents to play into Declarer's own hand.

Accordingly, one the first heart trick Mr. Fry played low from Dummy and, when East played the Knave, won the trick with the Queen, new feeling almost certain that West, the Opening leader, held both the Ace and ten.

Mr. Fry now led the ten of clubs from his own hand, overtook with the King, and immediately led a small diamond from Dummy, employing the old military strategy of putting up a bold front on one's most vulnerable spot.

East, of course, played low on this diamond trick, Declarer playing the Queen and West winning with the Ace. At this point West fell for the ruse, hook, line and sinker. He led the Ace and ten of hearts, hoping against hope that the suit would break, although he suspected that it wouldn't, because if Declarer held only three hearts he would probably have played the King on the first trick. After the ten of hearts was played, West was up against a complete guess as to what to lead next, fortunately for Mr. Fry, East could not discard a high diamond on the third round of hearts without sacrificing the setting trick. West finally decided to lead another heart, knowing Declarer had a high one anyway and deciding to let him guess any possible subsequent finesse himself. Of course, after this Mr. Fry had only to take his spade and club tricks to make four notrump. The ruse had worked, and a probable bottom or close to bottom score was turned into a cold top.

Naturally, to be successful South had to be aided by imperfect defense, but his method of playing the hand made it most difficult for West to realize the true situation.

## CINEMA NOTES

## MAIL REVIEW

"THE TORCH SINGER"—  
ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Claudette Colbert, seen here recently in "The Sign of the Cross," is the star in the latest attraction at the Alhambra Theatre, "The Torch Singer."

Miss Colbert plays the part of Mimi Benton, a dangerous and alluring night-club hostess, who, although famous and rich, cannot find happiness without the child she had to give up after her lover had deserted her. The climax of the story is reached when the man, hearing of the existence of the child, returns and begs forgiveness.

Elaborate stage settings of New York night clubs and many lilting melodies give added attraction to the story.

The supporting cast includes Ricardo Cortez, David Manners, Lydia Roberto and Baby La Roy.

## MAIL REVIEW

"HOLD ME TIGHT"—KING'S THEATRE

"Hold Me Tight," the new Fox picture now showing at the King's Theatre, marks the fifth screen appearance of James Dunn and Sally Eilers as a team.

As in previous films such as "Over the Hill," "Dance Team," "Sailor's Luck" and "Bad Girl" these two clever stars give a splendid performance as two lovers. In "Hold Me Tight," they are man and wife, confronted with an unusual problem.

Frank McHugh, June Clyde, Kenneth Thomson and Noel Francis are prominent members of the supporting cast. The picture was directed by David Butler, who was responsible for "Sunny Side Up" and "Delicious."

## MAIL REVIEW

"BROADWAY TO HOLLYWOOD"—  
QUEEN'S THEATRE

A collection of stage and screen celebrities are united in M-G-M's glittering production "Broadway to Hollywood," which is the current attraction at the Queen's Theatre.

It is a story of three generations of vaudeville players whose history is followed from the era of the "gay nineties" until the family moves to Hollywood's sound stage.

Fay Templeton, a brilliant favourite of the old-time Broadway vaudeville, has one of the principal roles in the story, with Barney Faran and May Robson. The modern stars who appear in the picture include Alice Brady, Walter Connolly, Eddie Cantor, Paul Lukas, and others.

## BRITAIN FORGETS HER ARMY

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## RADIO TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcasted to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 6735 metres (845 K.C.'s):

1-2 p.m.—European Programme.  
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report etc.

1-15-2-15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra by courtesy of the management. (During the intervals recorded Music will be broadcasted.)

1-30 p.m.—Rugby Press News.  
1-15-2-15 p.m.—H. K. Hotel Relay.  
1-130 p.m.—Recorded Music  
1-30-2 p.m.—Relay from Rotary Club Tiffin.

2 p.m.—Close Down.  
1-45-2-30 p.m.—Chinese Recorded Programme.

2-23-3-5 p.m.—A relay from Daventry of a Song Recital—"A Branch of Artibus."

6-7 p.m.—Chinese Recorded Programme.

7-730 p.m.—A Chinese Shortland Lesson.

7-30-8-30 p.m.—European Programme.

7-30-8 p.m.—The 27th of a series of lessons on Cantonese by the Rev. Mr. H. R. Wells.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report etc.

8-45-9-22 p.m.—Selections in A Major (Great Faneck) played by Alfred Cortot and Jacques Thibaud.

1st movement Allegro moderato  
2nd movement Allegro

3rd movement Recitative-Fantasia

4th movement Allegretto poco mosso

8-45-9-22 p.m.—The Entire Musical Numbers of the Mikado (Gilbert & Sullivan) played by the Columbia Light Opera Company.

\* 8-23-9-20 p.m.—Selections by De Groot and His Orchestra.

(a) Autumn (Chopin).  
(b) Traume (Wagner).

9-10-10 p.m.—From the Studio Selections by Estelle R. Alberto (Tango) accompanied by Prof. F. Gonzalez.

1. Quieja (Paraná)—Argentine Tango—(M. Barrios)

2. Princesita (Spanish Serenade)—(M. Padilla)

3. Recorded Items (a) Hungarian Dance No. 2 in D Minor (Brahms)

(b) Cavatina (Brahms)

4. Arthur Catterall (Violinist).

5. Golondrina—Serenade—(N. Serradell).

6. Nena (L. de Casimiro).

7. La Boîte (Paul Dubois).

10-18-19 p.m.—Dances Music.

For Trunk: Thomas's Cabin in The Pine.

Waltz—

If You Say "Yes" (Carter).

Let the World Go Drifting By (Wardrobe).

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# Sporting Page

## POLICE SEEK POSTPONEMENT AGAINST C.B.A. IN MAMAK LEAGUE

### HONG KONG FOOTBALL XI ALL READY

Sailing By Comorin For Shanghai On Friday.

### TIENTSIN REPUTED WEAK (BY OUTSIDE LEFT)

The Hong Kong Interport Football team will leave Hong Kong for Shanghai on Friday morning at noon by the P. and O. liner s.s. Comorin. They will arrive in the northern port on Monday morning.

Their first Interport game will be against Shanghai on Wednesday next, and on the Saturday following they meet Tientsin in their second Interport clash.

On Sunday, February 18, several of the Colony players will be selected to represent the Combined Interport XI from Shanghai, Tientsin and Hong Kong against a Combined Chinese XI.

The Tientsin Interport Football team, comprising 13 players, are expected to leave Tientsin for Shanghai on Saturday.

Although nothing definite has been heard of the strength of the Tientsin team, it is rumoured that it will not be as strong as last year because of the regulation forbidding more than three servicemen from taking part in the team.

The Tientsin Football Association have arranged for a series of exhibition games or trials with leading Tientsin and Peiping contingents in order to raise funds for the trip.

The last Triangular Interport contest took place in 1930 in Shanghai when the Colony defeated Tientsin by the odd goal in five and lost to Shanghai by 5 goals to 2.

The following is the programme for the Triangular Interport contests in Shanghai:—

Wednesday, February 14: Shanghai v Hong Kong Thursday, February 15: Shanghai v Tientsin Saturday, February 17: Hong Kong v Tientsin Sunday, February 18: Combined Interport XI (selected from Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tientsin) v Combined Shanghai Chinese.

### DRAW FOR SHIELD SERIES

S. China To Encounter The Saints.

### SHANGHAI AGREE WITH COLONY SUGGESTION

The draw has been made for the semi-final round of the Hong Kong Football Association's Shield Competition to be played on Saturday, February 24. It is as follows:

Sealer.  
South China v St. Joseph's (Club Ground).  
Borderers v Club (Kowloon ground).  
Junior.  
Club v Navy (Kowloon ground).  
S. China "B" v Royal Artillery (Club Ground).

During the F. A. Council meeting yesterday the chairman read the minutes of the meeting of the Appeals Board which considered an appeal against the decision of the Council upholding a previous decision made by the Emergency Committee. The Appeals Board upheld the decision of the Council. It was announced that a sum of \$500 would be paid to the children's Playgrounds Committee, as profit from the recent charity match arranged for the specific purpose.

It was decided that the revised rules be submitted to an extraordinary general meeting of members of the Association on Thursday, March 15, at the Sport Club, at 5.30 p.m.

A letter from Shanghai was read concerning the forthcoming Interport. The latter stated that the northerners were in agreement with the Hong Kong suggestion that the present holders of the Cup should retain possession of the trophy. In the event of two or more teams tying for first place,

### ARSENAL FAVOURED

### LONDONERS TO VISIT MIDDLESBOROUGH

Derby At Home To The Throstles.

### NO SCOTTISH LEAGUE GAMES ON SATURDAY (By RANGER)

#### FIRST DIVISION

ASTON V. (4) v Portsmouth (1)  
BLACKBURN (1) v Manchester C. (0)  
DERBY (2) v W. Bromwich (2)  
Everton (3) v Liverpool (2)  
LEEDS (1) v Birmingham (1)  
Leicester (4) v Sunderland (2)  
Middlesbrough (3) v ARSENAL (4)  
NEWCASTLE (3) v Walsall (1)  
Sheffield U. (1) v BUDDERSFIELD (2)

TOTTENHAM (-) v Chelsea (-)  
WOLVES (-) v Stoke (-)

#### SECOND DIVISION

BLACKPOOL (-) v Millwall (-)  
BOLTON (-) v Burnley (-)  
BRADFORD C. (-)

FULHAM (3) v Swans (1)

Hull (-) v BRENTFORD (-)

MANCHESTER U. (2) v Oldham (0)

Notts F. (3) v GRIMSBY (0)

Plymouth (6) v PRESTON (0)

PORT VALE (4) v Notts C. (0)

SOUTHAMPTON (4) v Lincoln (0)

WEST HAM (2) v Bradford (1)

#### THIRD DIVISION (South)

Bournemouth (3) v CRYSTAL P. (2)

Bristol C. (5) v LUTON (2)

CARDIFF (1) v Gillingham (0)

CHARLTON (-) v Bristol R. (-)

Clapton (2) v ALDERSHOT (3)

Newport (3) v TORQUAY (1)

NORWICH (2) v Northampton (0)

QUEEN'S P.R. (1) v Exeter (3)

READING (3) v Coventry (3)

SWINDON (6) v Brighton (1)

WATFORD (2) v Southend (2)

#### SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Saturday is the date of the

A Scottish Inter-League game with the English Football League in Scotland, the Scottish League games arranged for Saturday will be played on rearranged dates in terms of the decision of the Management Committee.

### SHANGHAI RUGBY XV SELECTED.

Team To Arrive Next Wednesday.

The following players have been selected to represent Shanghai in the Interport Rugby match against Hong Kong.—B. Brind; J. Borman, C. J. A. Taylor; W. E. Grieve, I. C. Jenkins and E. Blackwood; H. D. Bidwell and W. E. Tingle; R. D. K. Slipy (captain), J. R. Younger, P. J. Poole, J. S. Ritchie, R. T. N. Mackay, G. S. Chambers and J. S. Lee.

Reserve.—W. H. T. Pilcher.

The team arrive by the Sarpedon on Wednesday February 14, and meet Hong Kong on the following day. They will play the Combined Services on the Saturday and will leave for Shanghai by the General Perchance at midnight.

### RECREIO TO VISIT MACAO

The F.A. Council have given the necessary permission to the Club d. Recreio to visit Macao during the holidays and play the Portuguese Colony on Wednesday, February 14.

For the first time an All-Star Australian Chinese football team will invade Shanghai, Hong Kong and Canton during June and July, according to reports from Canton.

Colleen (Mrs. Marston), Robina (Mrs. Marshall), and Jose (Mrs. Stanton) were the winning yacht in yesterday's Ninth Ladies' Championship race.

### COLONY XI SHAPE VERY PROMISINGLY

#### Services Overwhelmed In Hockey Practice.

#### SINCLAIR AN ABSENTEE

Hollingsworth Does Not Check His Biggest Fault

#### (By STICKS)

Playing together for the first time the Colony's Interport eleven gave a good indication of their strength when they defeated the United Services at King's Park by 6 goals to 1, after leading by the odd goal in three at the interval.

Lt. Sinclair was an absentee from the pivot position in the selected eleven, being away at sea. His place was taken by H. J. D. Lowe. Kalwant Singh (Radio) filled the vacancy at centre-forward in the Services' team caused by the absence of Lt. Cheyne.

Gurbachan Singh scored four of the six goals, giving good all-round display, and playing with good understanding with his inside forwards.

Lt. Garthwaite was fast and kept up a neat combination with Lal Singh, the latter being outstanding with his powerful back-stick shots. He played his best game this season, and was frequently in the limelight, initiating many movements which resulted in goals.

Lt. Eaden and Lt. Donald on the right flank were an usual fast and spectacular, the former making many scoring openings.

#### Lowe Good Understudy

Lowe proved an able substitute for Lt. Sinclair, although not as outstanding as his opposite number, Halford. He, nevertheless, held the Services attack well in hand and received good support from the Reed brothers.

Rodger in the defence was quicker than usual, and his sound play and tackling was one of the features of the game. Rodrigues was also good, clearing strongly in a tight corner.

Hollingsworth made one or two brilliant saves, but on the whole gave a poor display. He opposed his own forwards in the second half, and again showed an over-tendency to rush the opposing forwards, and in three cases fell at their feet to leave his goal at their mercy. The Services' only goal in the first half was scored in similar manner by Kalwant Singh.

#### Metcalfe Shines

Lt. Metcalfe, the Services' full-back, was outstanding for his side, while Halford and Lt. Comdr. Hill were also in the limelight. The forwards, however, could not penetrate the strong Colony half-back line, and were too well shadowed by the full-backs to be dangerous.

Gurbachan Singh scored the opening goal early in the game, and Lal Singh added the second, following a neat movement on the right flank by Lt. Eaden and Lt. Donald.

Kalwant Singh broke away just before half-time to net the Services' only goal, Hollingsworth making an unsuccessful dive for the ball.

Fifteen minutes after the start of the second half Gurbachan Singh went through on his own to collide with Hollingsworth for Garthwaite to snap up the ball and score into an empty goal.

The fourth goal was scored from a corner shot. Garthwaite's shot being only partially cleared for Gurbachan Singh to net before the goalkeeper could recover.

The fifth goal was the result of 25-yard bully. Hollingsworth again left his goal to make an unsuccessful attempt to tackle Gurbachan Singh.

The Indian player side-stepped him and scored easily.

Lt. Eaden broke through as the result of a fine movement to score the sixth with a beautiful shot from an acute angle which had

#### Lt. SINCLAIR MAY NOT PLAY FOR COLONY

It is possible that Lt. Sinclair (H.M.S. Medway), the Colony's central-half, will be unable to play in the Interport match against Macao on February 14 owing to the uncertain movements of his ship.

Lt. Sinclair is also suffering from an injury to his ankle sustained in the encounter against Macao on Sunday, and was an absentee from the Colony team yesterday.

### LINCOLNS BEAT THE ARGYLLS.

#### Losers Score First But Beaten 2 To 1.

#### DETACHMENTS AT HOCKEY

ALTHOUGH scoring first A the Argylls Detachment were beaten by the odd goal in three, by the Lincolns Detachment in a friendly hockey match at Shamshulpo yesterday afternoon.

After a blank first half YEO-MAN opened the Argylls account, but just afterwards HOLTON equalised. BARNSBY scored the winning goal for the Lincolns in the closing minutes.

The team on the whole is as fast as any in the Colony. The forward line are very fast and possess good ball control and combination.

Their biggest mistake is an over indulgence of dribbling after passing the half-backs.

A direct attempt at scoring when within the circle would invariably produce much better results.

#### Ferreira Outstanding

The intermediate line is very strong, the right half, Lino Ferreira, being a brilliant player. The full-backs, however, are the weakest link in the team. M. Cardoso, the left-back, being on the slow side.

A general fault with the Macao team is their tendency to bend down to stop the ball with the hand, and at the same time pushing the ball at times as much as a foot.

They were promptly penalised by the referees on Sunday, and this must have been somewhat annoying in the end, for it was clear that it was done rather in ignorance than with intent.

#### CLUB MUST TRIUMPH

(Continued from Page 5.)

cause of their extraordinarily weak batting. To score 90 for 9 against the weak K.C.C. attack gives an indication of their deplorable weakness in this department.

The fault was brought about when Almada, in a desperate attempt to clear a hard shot from Eaden after he had fallen and lost his stick, was if anything, a brilliant effort, he was successful, however, forced to play a cautious game, through lack of confidence in his batmen, and as a result he has totalled only 57 runs in four innings.

Only A. H. Rumjahn, one of the veterans in the game, has stood between the I.R.C. and five defeats to date.

The Club, on the other hand, have a wealth of batting talent, the whole side being capable of scoring a half-century.

#### MARRIOTT'S "HAT-TRICK"

Madras, To-day.

C. S. Marriott, the Kent schoolmaster, had a hat-trick in his 5 for 48 against Madras yesterday. His effort gave the M.C.C. victory on a narrow margin.

#### Umpiring Board Displeased

Some rather caustic references were made by the Umpiring Board at the last Hong Kong Association meeting regarding the ability of a number of civilian candidates for the hockey umpiring certificates.

Of the seven civilians who were tested during the month of January, only two, Meers, A. A. Dand and G. P. Palmer, both of the Hong Kong Hockey Club, proved successful.

The game was unfortunately devoid of good hockey and both sides were inclined to allow feelings to creep into the game at various stages. The players were kept well in check, however, by the quick decisions of the umpires.

#### Ladies' XI At Practice

A second practice match for the Colony's ladies' team was held at Sooknupoo last Monday when the selected eleven defeated the Rest by five clear goals. The winners showed considerable improvement.

### BLACKBURN PLAYING IN PRACTICE GAME

### C.B.A. DESIRE MATCH THO' LACKING TWO PLAYERS

### CANDIDATES FOR UMPIRING EXAMS FAIL TO IMPRESS BOARD

(By STICKS)

THE general opinion of the by an examiner who is thoroughly acquainted with every detail of the game.

The Portuguese Consul, Mr. G. Alves-Guerra, will be the honoured guest at the Macao Interport Dinner which is to be held at the China Emporium on February 14, following the match, at 8 p.m. Tickets, at \$3 each, may be obtained from all Club secretaries.

Liang by steady play snatched a set off the I. R. C. player before he was beaten 7-5, 4-6, 6-2. Cassumbay was, however, only a shadow of himself, his service alone carrying him through against a very steady opponent who retrieved hard shots in brilliant style.

It was a ding dong struggle in which base-line duels provided the features.

The only surprise was provided by H. Owen Hughes, who upset the once rock-like Wong Fuk Nam. The little Chinese player found his opponent too difficult to pass at the net, the Club-player's tremendous reach enabling him to tuck away volleys with ease and to kill almost everything overhead. Wong's tennis showed no improved on his last year's form.

R. R. G. Hoare, a Naval entry, was fully extended against a much slower opponent in G. Gamble in the first set, but after going out at 8-6 he won easily at 6-3. Possessing good stroke production Hoare's greatest weakness lies in

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## LOCAL CRICKET LEAGUE AVERAGES TO DATE

## JUNIOR LEAGUE

The following are the complete averages for the junior cricket league to date:

## BATTING

	Inns	Runs	H.S.	N.O.	Avg.
W. A. Reed (Recreo)	8	289	103*	2	48.16
Major Bonavia (R.A.M.C.)	4	129	103*	1	43.00
Lt. Comdr. Hughes (Navy)	3	85	53*	1	42.50
R. S. W. Patterson (H.K.C.C.)	2	85	57	0	42.50
Pte. Crayford (R.A.S.C.)	2	83	76	0	41.50
L. E. Jupp (H.K.C.C.)	2	76	51	0	38.00
K. Nazarin (I.R.C.)	7	227	53	0	32.72
G. Lee (K.C.C.)	5	96	36*	2	32.00
G. A. Gutierrez (Recreo)	7	95	37*	4	31.66
S/Sgt. Flood (R.A.S.C.)	5	163	64	0	32.60
T. Yeo (C.C.C.)	7	169	41*	1	24.14
A. R. Suffiad (I.R.C.)	7	195	74	0	27.85
G. Souza (C.C.C.)	4	82	51*	1	27.33
A. K. Mackenzie (H.K.C.C.)	5	130	53	0	26.00
C. W. E. Bishop (H.K.C.C.)	5	127	60	0	25.40
W. L. Clarke (Police)	7	121	48*	2	24.20
H. J. Armstrong (H.K.C.C.)	5	121	58	0	24.20
M. el Arcilli (I.R.C.)	5	116	40	0	22.00
A. E. Carey (Police)	7	134	57*	1	22.33
W. Sparrow (C.C.C.)	6	127	49	0	21.16
Lt. Comdr. Palairat (Navy)	2	42	33	0	21.00
P. D. Crawley (C.S.C.C.)	6	104	58*	1	20.60
A. Kitchell (C.C.C.)	7	98	66*	2	19.66
I. P. H. Macaulay (K.C.C.)	2	38	35	0	19.00
E. Soares (Recreo)	8	148	47	0	18.50
W. Hyde (K.C.C.)	3	37	20	1	18.50
A. Kirby (Police)	2	37	35	0	18.50
Cpl. College (R.A.M.C.)	6	107	36	0	17.83
R. Leigh (R.A.M.C.)	4	35	11*	2	17.50
Comdr. Lindsell (Navy)	2	35	22	0	17.50
A. A. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	6	68	20*	2	17.00
A. W. Grinnell (C.S.C.C.)	2	33	31	0	17.00
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	7	81	33*	2	16.20
J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.)	6	96	42	0	16.00
J. M. Wilson (C.S.C.C.)	5	82	34	0	16.40
H. T. Bee (University)	2	31	18	0	15.50
Cpl. Ballard (R.A.S.C.)	3	46	43	0	15.50
H. T. M. Barma (I.R.C.)	7	107	30	6	15.28
W. Mendows (Police)	2	45	34	0	15.00
S/Sgt. Tighe (R.A.S.C.)	2	30	25	0	15.00
H. A. Alves (Recreo)	8	118	47	0	14.66
H. A. Noronha (Recreo)	4	44	17*	1	14.66
Spr. Pegg (R.E.)	2	29	22	0	14.50
A. A. Dand (K.C.C.)	2	29	22	0	14.50
Maj. Denir (R.A.M.C.)	6	56	40	0	14.33
S. Abbas (C.C.C.)	6	71	26*	1	14.20
F. E. Lawrence (K.C.C.)	4	43	14	1	14.33
A. A. Aziz (I.R.C.)	4	43	31	1	14.33
E. Souza (C.C.C.)	7	84	33	1	14.00
A. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	7	84	53*	1	14.00
Dvr. Whitley (R.A.S.C.)	3	42	21	0	14.00
W. H. Edmonds (C.S.C.C.)	6	68	39*	1	13.60
P. H. Laughlin (Police)	7	95	33	0	13.57
Sgt. Anderson (R.E.)	2	27	22	0	13.50
A. B. Lewis (Navy)	2	27	27	0	13.50
G. R. Wynne (Police)	5	66	26	0	13.20
P. M. N. da Silva (Recreo)	4	52	31	0	13.00
Pte. Haynes (R.A.M.C.)	4	48	23	0	12.00
F. Hipolito (University)	2	23	22	0	11.50
J. G. Hunter (H.K.C.C.)	4	45	16	0	11.25
S. Jex (K.C.C.)	3	33	19	0	11.00
K. L. Ng (University)	2	22	18	0	11.00
H. F. Westlake (C.S.C.C.)	6	62	32	6	10.33
D. Roy (University)	3	30	18	0	10.00
Col. Norworthy (R.E.)	2	20	18	0	10.00
A. P. Pereira (Recreo)	8	60	20*	2	10.00

The qualification for the above averages are two completed innings and an average of 10.

## BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
L. A. C. Cagby (Navy)	24	7	68	12	5.68
W. Sparrow (C.C.C.)	45.2	10	104	16	6.50
S. Abbas (C.C.C.)	83.1	15	203	31	6.54
A. P. Pereira (Recreo)	75.1	19	190	29	6.55
P. M. N. da Silva (Recreo)	19	8	29	4	7.25
G. A. V. Hall (K.C.C.)	11	3	24	3	8.00
A. D. Lawson (H.K.C.C.)	45.1	10	142	17	8.35
Comdr. Lindsell (Navy)	10	0	44	5	8.50
J. Barnes (C.S.C.C.)	12.2	0	62	7	8.85
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	26	7	75	8	9.37
A. A. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	68.3	14	190	20	9.50
K. L. Ng (University)	23.3	8	88	9	9.77
Lt. Trimble (R.A.M.C.)	18	1	49	5	9.80
Pte. Ballard (R.A.S.C.)	32.1	6	89	10	9.80
H. A. Alves (Recreo)	52.3	14	132	13	10.15
A. L. Barron (Navy)	10.4	3	21	2	10.50
Lt. Luard (Navy)	21	7	64	6	10.66
M. el Arcilli (I.R.C.)	21	6	54	5	10.80
A. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	47	12	144	13	11.07
Pte. Gouley (R.A.M.C.)	17.4	2	56	5	11.20
Major Bonavia (R.A.M.C.)	32.4	5	116	10	11.60
Cpl. Catlin (R.A.M.C.)	38	12	122	10	12.20
Lt. Smythe (Navy)	23	3	99	8	12.37
L. C. Penhall (Police)	5	0	25	2	12.50
Major Sarsfield (R.A.M.C.)	6	1	25	2	12.50
A. P. Gutierrez (Recreo)	42	10	122	9	12.55
Pte. Swain (R.A.S.C.)	8	0	41	3	12.66
F. S. W. Smith (K.C.C.)	30.3	9	96	7	12.71
S/Sgt. Flood (R.A.S.C.)	38.3	6	175	12	14.58
G. Lee (K.C.C.)	30	4	109	7	15.57
A. B. Lewis (Navy)	22	1	78	5	16.00
Pte. Forsyth (R.A.S.C.)	38.1	4	127	8	16.87
C. W. E. Bishop (H.K.C.C.)	39	2	164	9	16.22
J. Skinner (C.S.C.C.)	9	0	33	2	16.50
A. R. Suffiad (I.R.C.)	61.4	17	149	9	16.85
W. Glendinning (Police)	11	1	50	3	16.66



**CHASE BANK SUED FOR \$17,357**

As Transferees Of Equitable Eastern.

**CHINESE OFFICIAL'S DEPOSIT IN 1928**

A claim against the Chase Bank Inc., as transferees of the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation, by Tam Foo, alias Tam Cheuk-yue, came before the Acting Chief Justice, the Hon. Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Supreme Court this morning.

The plaintiff, Tam Foo, alias Tam Cheuk-yue, is claiming a sum of \$17,357.27, being money deposited with the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation, and interest at the rate of three per cent per annum.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Lo and Lo appeared for the plaintiff while Mr. Duncan McNeil, assisted by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, appeared for the defendants.

Mr. Potter, outlining his case, said his client's claim was as a depositor of the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation. The plaintiff had been, and still was, employed by the Chinese Government, and was at present holding a position as Head of the Liquor and Tobacco Revenue Department at Swatow.

The plaintiff first made a deposit with the Eastern Equitable Banking Corporation in December, 1927, when he placed \$1,000 in a Savings Bank Account and was issued with a passbook, No. 352.

In order to show that this was not the only deposit made by plaintiff, counsel quoted three others:

\$10,000 deposited with the Bank of East Asia on January 11, 1928; \$10,000 with the Yokohama Specie Bank as a Savings Account on January 14, 1928; and a further \$10,000 with the latter Bank on January 20, 1928.

The history of the deposit said counsel, was as follows: On January 17, 1928, plaintiff deposited with the Savings Bank Department of the Eastern Equitable Banking Corporation, known to him as the "Tai Tung Bank," the sum of \$14,800, and in return received from an assistant a passbook numbered 671. He was asked for a specimen signature, which he submitted.

On March 8, 1928, the plaintiff took up an appointment as Head of the Department for Military Expenditure at Swatow.

In November 1932 the plaintiff read in the papers of the American banking crisis and of the runs on banks and decided to withdraw his deposit from the American bank.

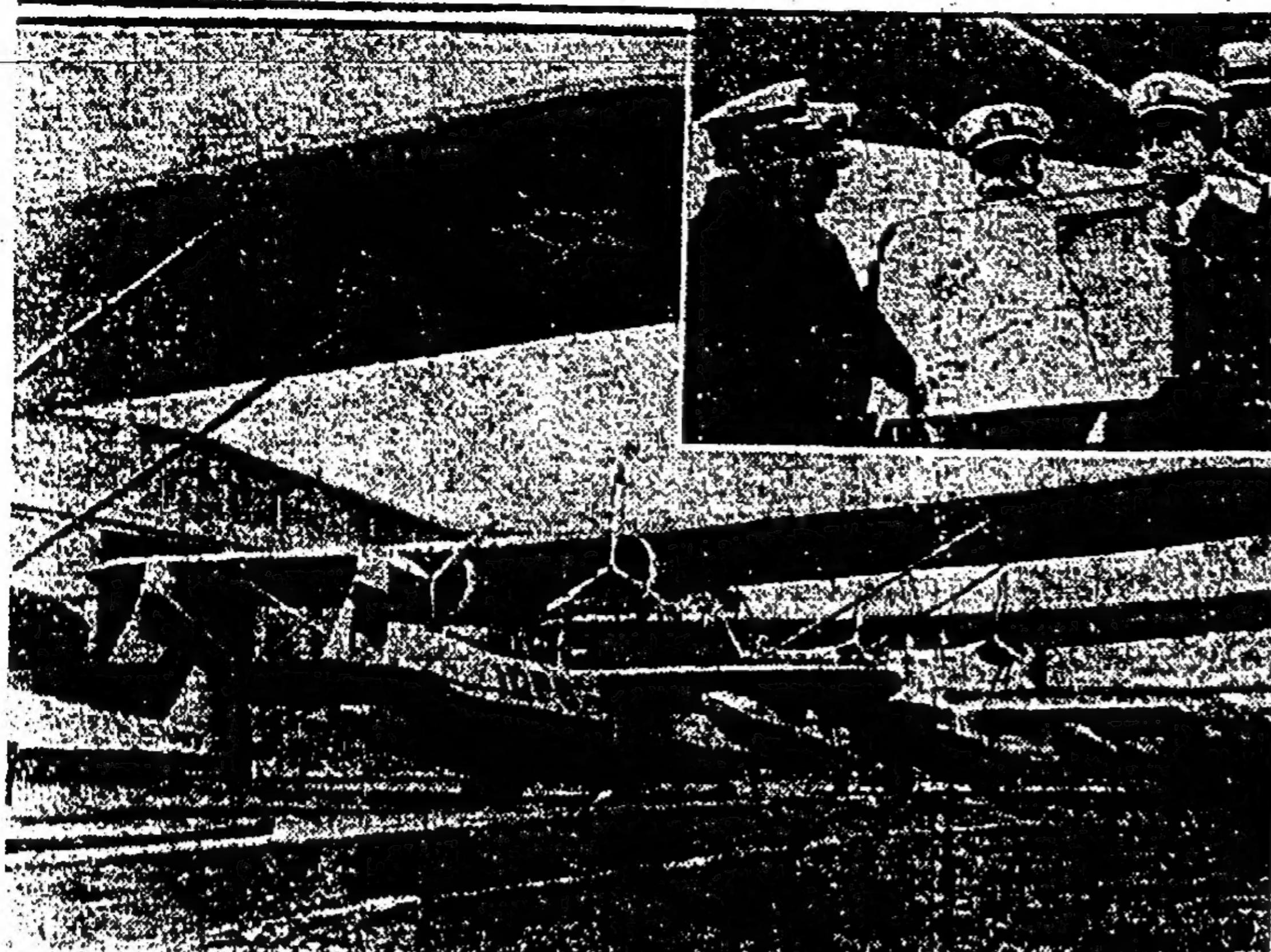
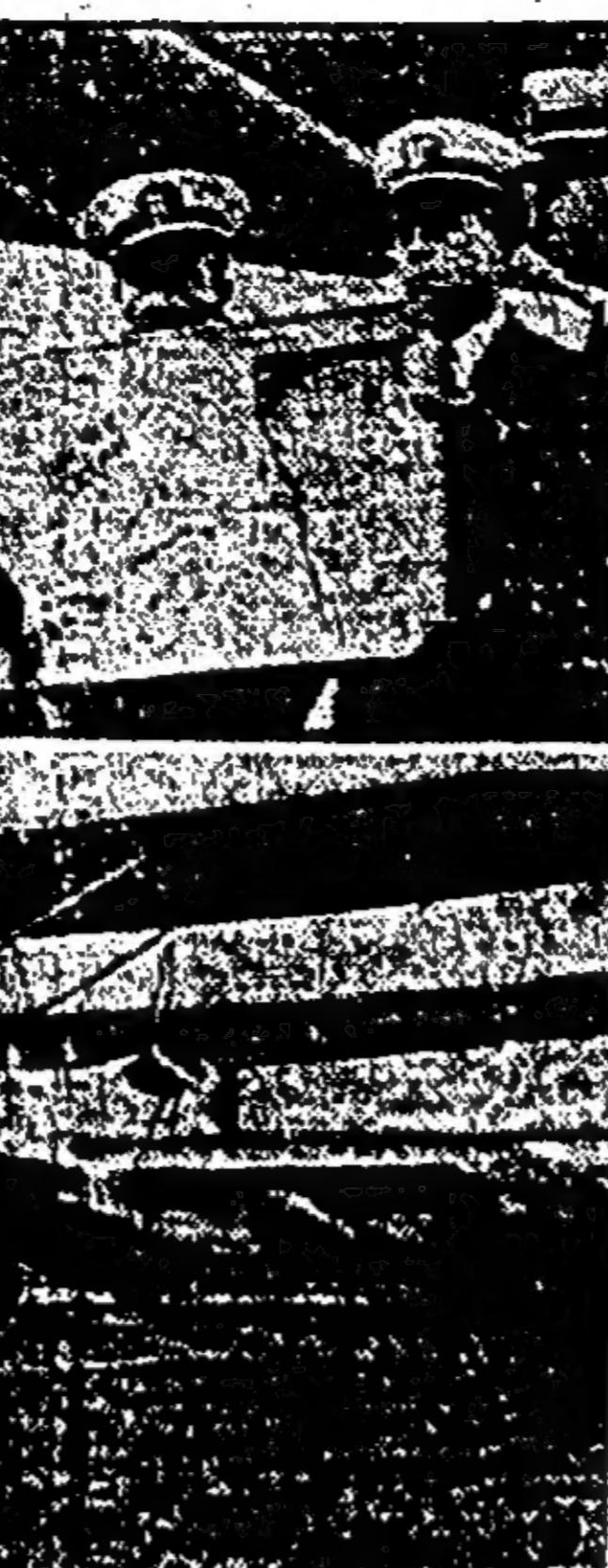
On November 23, 1932, the plaintiff called on the Chase Bank, as successors to the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation, and demanded repayment of his original deposit of \$14,800, with accumulated interest, but the defendants refused payment and have continued to do so.

The plaintiff now claims the sum of \$17,357.27, money deposited, and interest on the sum at the rate of three per cent. per annum until payment or judgment.

All plaintiff's deposits with the various banks were made in the name of Tam Foo. During 1928 there was much political unrest in Canton and, as a means of safeguarding his money, plaintiff made these deposits in Hong Kong.

Continuing, counsel said that after the plaintiff had been refused payment he was taken to a European official of the bank who informed him that no such sum as he claimed had been deposited with the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation and that any passbook that had been issued was not genuine. The European offered to take plaintiff to the bank's solicitors, but he refused and instead went to Messrs. Lo and Lo for advice. As a result of his consultation a mass of correspondence (exhibited) came into being.

Plaintiff's solicitors wrote to the Chase Bank informing them of the deposit and circumstances surrounding it and on November 28, 1932, received a reply from the Bank to the effect that they did not admit any liability, as the deposit had not been made and any passbook plaintiff possessed had been issued without authority and had not been "initialled" by a European member of the bank staff. Furthermore, the bank had no specimen of plaintiff's signature. The case is proceeding.

**America's Air Armada****At San Diego.****RADIATOR-CAP PILFERERS****Three More Cases In Court Yesterday.****TWO MEN GAOLED, ONE REMANDED**

Prosecuting an unemployed Chinese, Fung Ping-wan, at the Central Magistracy this morning for unlawful possession of a motor car radiator-cap, Detective Inspector J. Murphy told the Court that the defendant was arrested in Hollywood Road with the cap in his pocket. He admitted that he had stolen it from a car in Chater Road and gave the number of the car.

The ownership was subsequently traced to Major J. A. A. Griffin, of the Lincolnshire Regiment, but it was found that Major Griffin had since sold the car and left for Home.

The Inspector asked for a short remand so that the new owner of the car could be found.

In adjourning the case until Thursday, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the Magistrate, suggested that it would be a good idea to have the number of the car to which it belonged inscribed on every radiator-cap in case it should be lost.

**Theft At University.**

Chan Sam, another unemployed Chinese, pleaded guilty to theft of a radiator-cap from car No. 185, owned by Professor W. Faid, of the Hong Kong University, while it was parked in Lyttleton Road.

The Magistrate asked if the car had been left in an authorised parking-place, because many cases arose from cars not being left in a proper place.

Professor Faid replied that it was the usual park for all University cars.

Accused was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

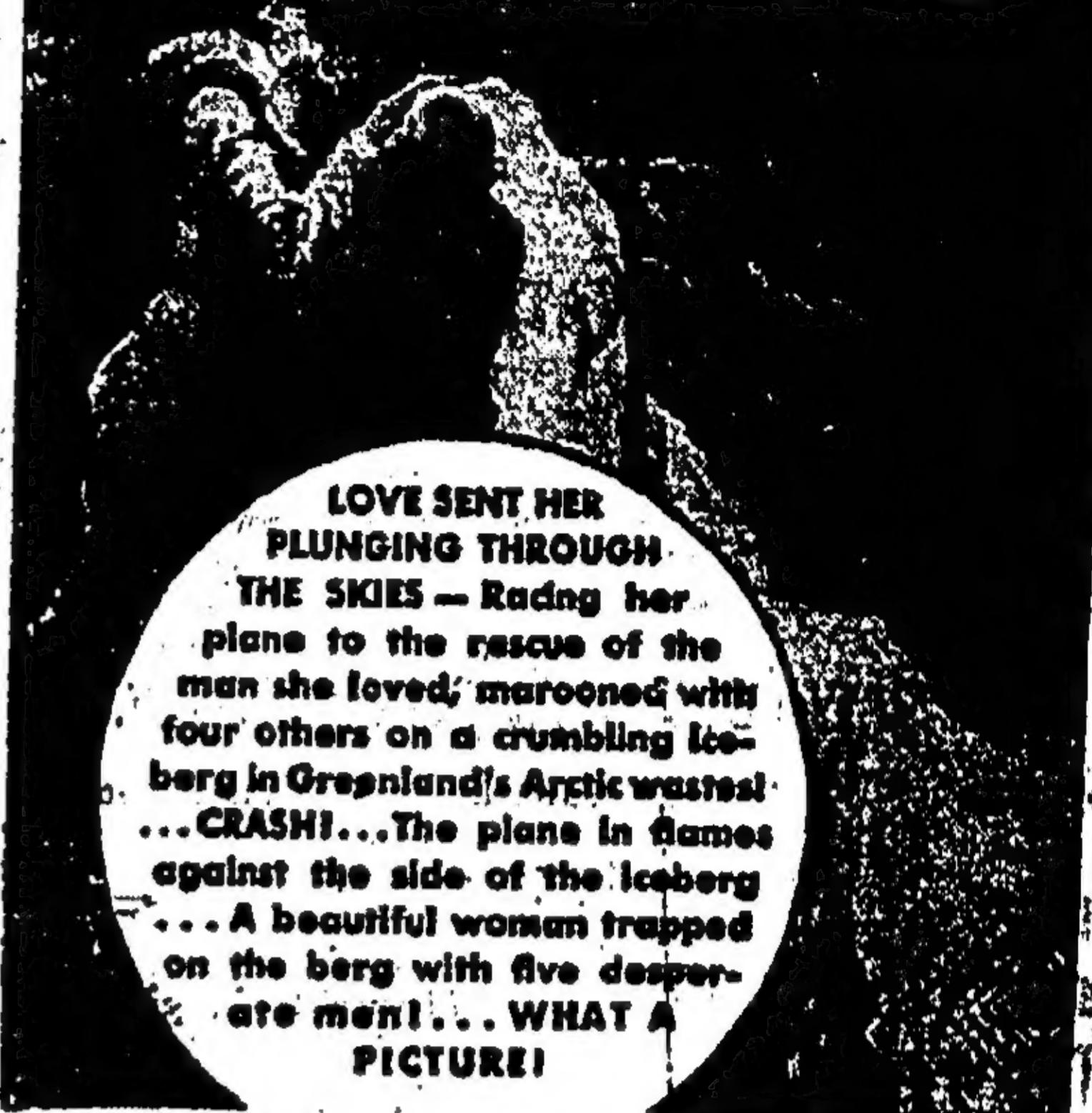
**Pokfulam Case.**

Chan Pun, also unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour for stealing a radiator-cap from car No. 2373, owned by Mr. Leung Choy, while it was parked in Pokfulam Road.

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 1934.

#### A Welcome Peace Gesture.

It is not possible to foresee how much may come of the new German-Polish accord, whereby the two Governments "renounce the use of force in adjusting their mutual relations." What is evident, however, is that this is a marked advance towards a pacific solution for a body of international problems which, more than any others, have been held to threaten an ultimate breach of the peace of Europe. It is a question not so much of the terms of the joint declaration, but of the circumstances and of that impalpable political medium known as atmosphere. It is true that both Germany and Poland have already, in general terms, renounced the use of force by their adherence to the Kellogg Pact; but that has never exercised the least influence in relieving the conditions of strain between them. It is true also that Herr Hitler, since he assumed office, has more than once expressed the intention of working for an improvement of those conditions. But the new accord is treated in both capitals as a political event of prime importance; and in Paris, where the Franco-Polish alliance has so long been a vital article of foreign policy, the same view is taken of it. M. Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, has spoken of the new relationship with a warmth such as would not have been conceivable, while German-Polish relations were for either party merely a history of ranking grievances and resentments. The causes of enmity remain, but the disposition to treat them as incurable by peaceful adjustment has been definitely renounced. There is room enough for thorough-going improvement if the will be present, in the treatment of German minorities in Poland, and above all in the danger-spot of Upper Silesia. There need be no more "frontier incidents" if both sides mean that they shall cease. Commercial relations need no longer be those of bitter unfriendliness. Such matters will be the first test of the better spirit. Behind them lie the vastly more difficult territorial questions that have vitiated the political air of Central Europe for the past fourteen years. The existence of the "corridor" that cuts off East Prussia from Germany to give Poland her outlet on the Baltic has been thought of, until now, as an insurmountable barrier to the bettering of their relations. At least it has been surmounted. Only time can show whether a

durable modus vivendi in that territory can be achieved to round off this feat of pacific diplomacy. The French Government, and the parties of the Left which give it its character, strongly approves a change that means, for it, relief from the liability to support Poland in the event of a German aggression. Those of the Right bewail the virtual defection of an ally. It is true that Poland has for a year past shown a desire to be independent of French patronage. She marks it very unmistakably in this display of confidence in the peaceful protestations of Nazi Germany. At the same time, the attainment of the prime condition of peace in Europe, an understanding between France and Germany, loses not a little of its difficulty if the motive of protecting Poland can be set aside. The new diplomatic fact may represent no more than a step in the right direction; but the promise of it ought not to be minimised.

#### British Post Office Enterprise.

Under the energetic direction of Sir Kingsley Wood, the Post Office has become one of the most reformatory of all the Government Departments in Britain. The Postmaster-General has announced that the Business Reply Card Service, introduced eighteen months ago, has proved so successful that more than 9,000 licences have now been issued. The same idea is to be extended to telegrams, and a Business Reply Telegram Service will be inaugurated which should prove no less attractive. Special telegram forms are to be issued, on which a business firm will be able to print its name and address, together with the amount and time for which replies will be available. Any number of these forms can be sent out to prospective customers, who, without charge to themselves, can use the reply telegram on which to despatch their orders. Beyond a small registration fee and the cost price of the forms the user of the service will pay telegraph charges only on the replies actually received. The plan should be particularly useful to business men who seek a quick sale for some special commodity on which they are ready to pay a fraction over a shilling for every order received. Naturally, the Postmaster-General desires to extend his telegraph business, which for the current year is being run at a loss of about £228,000. This figure is all to Sir Kingsley's credit, because the annual loss was £1,000,000 or more than five years ago, and the intervening period has been one of severe business depression. Yet these telegraph earnings have not been increased at the expense of telephone receipts, for the activities of the Post Office have been no less strenuous and successful. In this

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Air Liner Problem  
Most air liners to-day, both in Europe and America, are of multi-engined type.

In America the tendency has been to concentrate on twin-engined types. It is claimed that they can operate on either engine. But there are two schools of thought on this point.

The "antis" are pointing to the misadventure of a Curtiss Condor of American Airways, recently.

It developed engine trouble between Buffalo and Detroit. Nine passengers and a crew of three were aboard. It came down and landed with its re-tractable undercarriage still pulled up. It sizzled on the thin ice on Lake St. Clair, near Windsor, Ontario, on its fuselage and nobody was injured.

Mr. Clarence Chamberlin, who once flew the Atlantic, blames the twin-engined air liner for the recent increase in air travel accidents in the United States.

#### On One Engine

The supporters of twin-engined airplanes, on the other hand, claim that height can be maintained on either engine, or that loss of height will be at such a delayed rate that an aerodrome can be reached.

In England a D. H. Dragon, which is a twin-engined air-liner, actually took off deliberately on one engine and flew to Bristol and back to London with one engine out of use.

The American view is that engines are so reliable to-day that nothing is to be gained by fitting in their latest air liners, except four when two will give sufficient reliability.

They are following this policy in their latest air liners, except the "clipper" type boats. These have long stretches of sea to cross between North and South America.

#### Your Daily Smile.

A CHIP OFF THE OLD BLOCK

Old Gentleman: "Didn't I give you sixpence just now in the High Street?"

Tramp: "Yes, sir; I've got a branch office there."

Making Sure

"Let me see," said Lane pensively, "do I owe you any money, old man?"

Long raised inquiring eyebrows.

"Not a penny, old chap," he replied. "Why, are you going round paying off your little debts?"

"Oh, no!" replied Lane quickly.

"I was just going round to see if I've overlooked anybody. Lend me five bob till Saturday, will you?"

#### NEARLY!

Horse Dealer: "Did that horse I sold you do for you, sir?"

Customer: "Nearly!"

#### Had Its Difficulties

Slowly, with a menacing look in his eye, the bulldog approached the two street musicians.

The men looked at him out of the corners of their eyes and then slowly edged away.

"I say, Bill," said the man with the banjo suddenly, "blow hard on your cornet, perhaps it'll frighten 'im away."

"Yes, that's all very well," said Bill, with a doubtful grimace. "But if it don't do the trick where'll I get the wind to run away with?"

#### Facts You Did Not Know.

Low pressure balloon tyres have been developed for motorcycles.

Extremely sensitive electrical apparatus has been invented by a University of Chicago physician to measure nerve currents in persons

To prevent injurious overloads in radio tubes and delicate electrical instruments fuses have been invented that use platinum wires only one thirtieth the diameter of a human hair.

direction throughout the same period. In fact the telephone "drive" has been the chief feature of the present regime. What the improvement really signifies is that the Postmaster-General has been getting new business for his Department by improved facilities for the public.

## BRITAIN FORGETS HER ARMY

### LACK OF INTEREST IN LAND FORCES

#### "THE PEACE-TIME DEFENDERS"

(By Major-General J. F. C. Fuller.)

[Major-General Fuller, who was placed on the retired list in December, was the foremost exponent of mechanisation in the Army. He had been Chief of Staff of the Tank Corps, was not due to retire for another seven years, and had received no appointment since he was promoted to major-general in 1930. His retirement has been described as a deplorable waste of talent.]

London.

The people of Britain know that they have an Army because they see soldiers walking in the parks and streets; they know that this Army is trained for war because they watch Guardsmen forming fours and two deep the other side of the railings of Wellington Barracks. Then there are the Horse Guards and the Tattoo. Certainly they have an Army, there is no doubt about it; but how it lives and what it does are known to but a very few.

Whenever some interest is aroused concerning our national or Imperial defence we hear cries for cruisers, destroyers and aircraft; yet who has ever heard a cry for more battalions or regiments. And be it remembered that during peace time the bulk of our defence work falls upon our Army and not upon our Navy or Royal Air Force.

Unobtrusively the Army stands behind the law; it is the foundation of our social order. It is right that it is not seen; nevertheless, should serious trouble arise in these islands, seventy-one battalions would suddenly appear, as it were, from nowhere, and would be cheered to the echo by all law-abiding people.

Also, how often is it realised that we have sixty-six battalions overseas, and that not a few of them are on semi-active duty; and some in fortified posts and encampments in which no woman or child is allowed?

Why this obscurity and lack of interest? First, because our Army is exceedingly well-behaved; it is seldom seen and never heard of unless it opens a new rifle range, when at once the locality is proclaimed to be a beauty spot; or if it trains on some stretch of common land and so, by some unexplained magic, pollutes it for the common people.

Secondly, because it is monastic in character, an army apart from the nation, walled up within a somewhat archaic discipline. In a way an aristocratic caste founded upon ancient traditions and revering them because it itself is not revered—only tolerated.

Receiving no publicity, it has a holy horror of publicity; it does not belong to this age and to it advertisement appears extremely vulgar. It looks down on Press and politicians, it frowns upon intellect and the intellectual; it is horrified when one of its members so far forgets himself as to write about it; it is possessed of a high sense of ancient honour, and it lives almost exclusively in the past—a past of fox hunting, squires, weekend shooting parties, village cricket fields and the gentlemanly joys of the now dead agricultural order of society.

It is a superb phantom embalmed in a reality which does not concern it.

#### Press Indifferent

Also is there a third reason—the indifference of the Press.

In France, Germany and elsewhere there are scores of permanent military correspondents, and consequently the people take interest in their military forces. Here there is a universal military ignorance, an ignorance which blindly votes £250,000,000 a year for our land defence.

In this obscurity our Army works much like an alchemist in a medieval laboratory. I have called it aristocratic, but it is also strictly communistic, which goes to show

that extremes are always meeting. Officers have certain duties but no rights, not even a legal right to pay or pension. The hierarchy is as powerful as the OGPU, it can make and unmake careers at will.

Discipline aims not at fostering originality, the secret success of war, but at a universal damping down and standardisation, which ends in creating an all-pervading mediocrity of spirit, in which genius and talent are the demons to be exterminated.

The prevailing idea is not, as might be expected, the inculcation of leadership (though this is much talked about), but the establishment of team work; football and cricket, polo and hunting being exalted to a military art. In these circumstances it is to be wondered that our Army is never prepared for war, which is not a game; that is to say, never prepared spiritually and intellectually.

It is body, healthy and virile as it is, in headless; for we have no Commander-in-Chief, no single personality to whom soldiers can look up to as their leader and friend. In place, the Army is governed by a Council so constituted as to render it voiceless and in consequence the dumb slave of a Secretary of State. In war we rightly anathematise councils of war, yet in peace time all three services are controlled by Councils or Boards, formed not of independent directors but of departmental managers of equal status—the worst deciding organ imaginable.

I remember once at the War Office my general, an exceptionally able man, bursting into my room and exclaiming: "Do you know what they have done?" They assembled at eleven to discuss blankets for the Territorials, and rose at twelve forty-five to discover that they had invented a new hand grenade!"

#### Spring Cleaning Needed.

That our valiant and much neglected little Army wants a thorough spring cleaning is beyond a doubt. Yet curious as it may seem, this spring cleaning cannot be initiated from inside. It must come from outside, from instructed public opinion which will compel the Government to fill in the at present blank file in our military organisation by appointing a Secretary of State for War who is a Secretary of State for War and not merely a politician placed at the War Office.

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## SQUIRRELS MARCH ACROSS STATE

### Migration Puzzling American Officials.

CONNECTICUT RIVER CROSSED

Harford, Connecticut. The Chief Game Warden here reports that thousands of grey squirrels are moving across Connecticut in a general migration that puzzles game officials.

The squirrels were travelling in groups of about 100, following "bee lines" that carry them through lakes, rivers, main highways and centres of towns.

The exodus was especially marked in the Rockville, Wethersfield and Lyme areas. Game Warden E. G. Wright of Tolland County said he had recovered the bodies of 48 squirrels, which apparently drowned as they sought to swim Springfield Lake near Rockville. More than 100 were seen swimming the Connecticut River opposite the Wethersfield Yacht Club. Farmers at Lyme reported animals were travelling in columns across their field.

At Williamson, captain of six boats on the Connecticut river reported squirrels were seeking refuge on their craft. W. D. Oberman awoke on Columbia Falls and found bedraggled animals perched on the bow of his boat—

**DUMPED CEMENT IN HONG KONG**

"Not Desirable To Interfere."

**POLICY EXPLAINED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS**

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons, yesterday, the Conservative Member for Stockport, Mr. S. S. Hammersley, called attention to the dumping of Japanese cement in Hong Kong.

The Parliamentary Secretary for Dominion Affairs, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, replied that the Colonial Minister had already communicated with the Governor of Hong Kong.

Sir William Peel, K. C. M. G., K.B.E., who after dealings with all the circumstances, including the advantage of Hong Kong trade, had not considered it desirable to interfere with such imports.

The Governor was doing all he could to help, and had arranged to use as much British cement as possible on Public Works, Mr. MacDonald said.—Reuter.

**MR. LATHAM SAILS ON MARCH 17.****To Improve Australia's Relations In East.**

Melbourne, To-day.

The Hon. Mr. J. G. Latham, the Attorney-General and Minister for External Affairs and Minister for Industry for Australia, will depart on March 17 on a three months' tour of the East, embracing China, Japan, Hong Kong, the Dutch East Indies, Singapore, the Federated Malay States, and probably French Indo-China and the Philippines, with the object of fostering the present friendly relationship between Australia and her northern neighbours.

The mission is not concerned with trade, but a member of the party will be able to give any necessary information on commercial questions.—Reuter.

**CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING.****British Farmers Favour Potato Scheme.**

London, To-day.

The Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Walter Elliot, announced in the House of Commons that the result of the poll on the potato marketing scheme which was declared yesterday was overwhelmingly in favour of the scheme remaining in force.

Of the votes submitted, 90.44 per cent were in favour of the scheme remaining in force and 9.55 per cent. against.—British Wireless Service.

**TELEPHONE CO.'S DIVIDEND.****Final Allotment Of 80 Cents Per Share.**

A final dividend of 80 cents per share has been declared by the Hong Kong Telephone Company, Ltd. The balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year ended the December 31 1933 (including the sum of \$150,301.58 brought forward from the previous year) amounted to \$1,201,920.97. After charging \$401,670.92 for Depreciation and effecting on the August 4 1933, the payment of an Interim Dividend of 4 per cent, absorbing \$200,000,000, there remains the sum of \$600,250.05, which the Board recommends be appropriated as follows:

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To Transfer to General Reserve (bringing same up to \$425,000) \$30,000.00  
Carry forward to next Account ..... \$600,250.05

**BRITISH TEXTILES AND INDIA****Seeking Comprehensive Agreement.****SECRETARY FOR INDIA TO CONSULT VICEROY**

London, To-day.

Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for India, was asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether negotiations had yet been commenced between the Governments of Great Britain and of India for a comprehensive trade agreement extending the principles of the Ottawa Agreement to include all textiles.

It was stated in reply that the matter is under consideration. As the first step the Government of India are seeking to obtain legislative authority for the Bombay-Lancashire Agreement.

The Secretary of State will then consider, in conjunction with the Viceroy, how this and other matters may be related to the Ottawa settlement.—British Wireless Service.

**REPORT OF ARMED ROBBERY.****Money Changer Alleges Loss Of \$1,351.****POLICE DOUBTFUL OF CREDIBILITY**

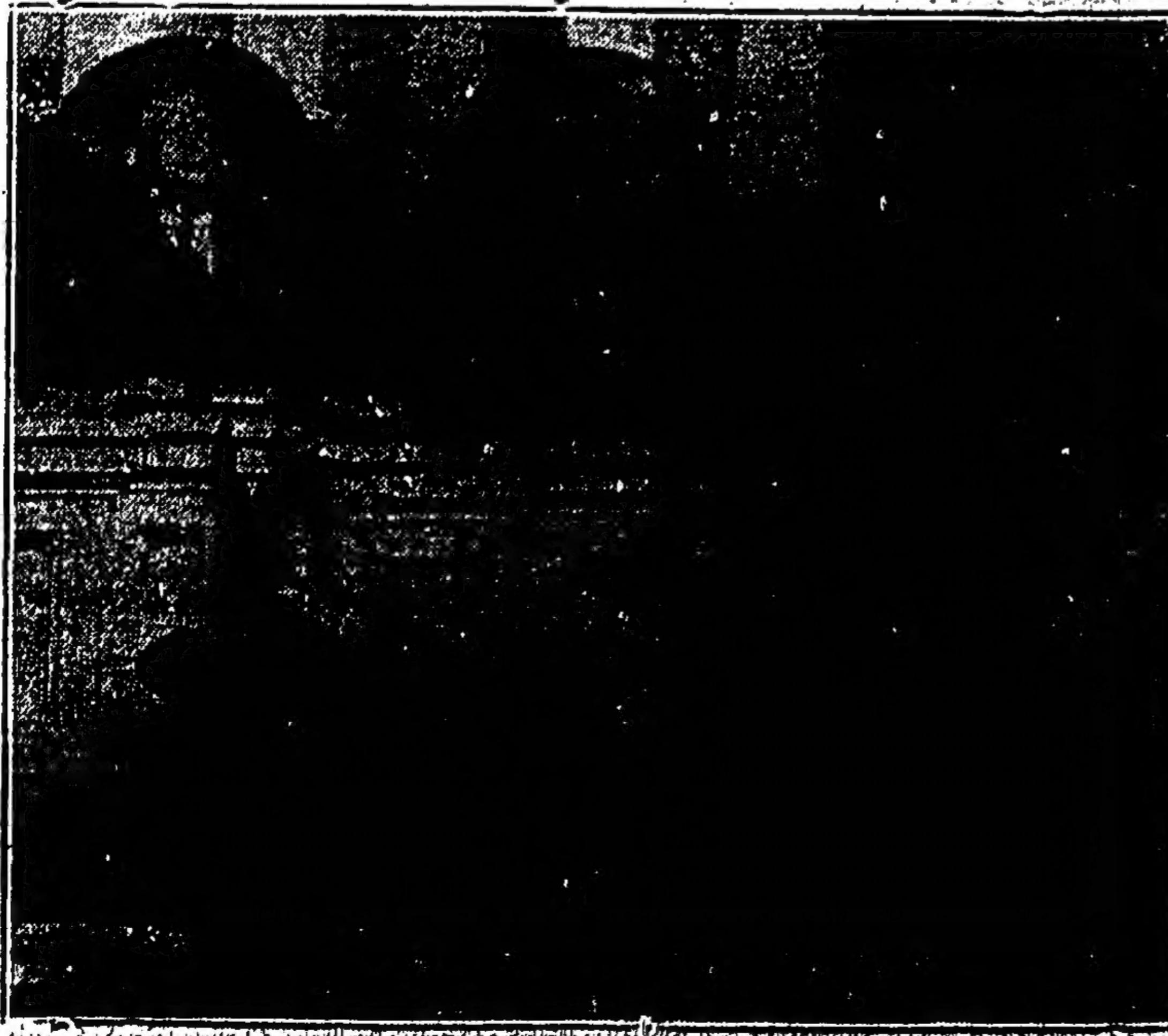
In a report made to the police yesterday, Tong Yiu Leung, a Chinese money changer living at 303 Laichikok Road, claims to have been robbed of \$1,351 in bank notes by three men armed with revolvers who, he alleges, attacked him in Nam Cheong Street, Laichikok, at 8 o'clock last night.

He stated that he was left in charge of his father's money changer's shop at 103 Laichikok Road and was taking the money home for safe-keeping in case of fire. The police consider the report to be of an extremely doubtful nature.

**HARBOUR RESCUES YESTERDAY.****Attempted Suicide.****ACCIDENTAL FALL FROM FERRY STEAMER**

A Chinese clerk of the Kwong Wah Hospital, Chiu Yuen-chuen, attempted to commit suicide yesterday by jumping into the harbour from the Yaumati ferry boat Man Lee. He was rescued by a seaman named Ng Pak, from the steam launch Lee On, and taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of immersion.

A Chinese, Ip Ling, who was travelling on the ferry boat Man Pak to Yaumati yesterday, accidentally fell overboard from the third class section, but was rescued by a seaman named Chan Sze, who dived from another ferry-boat, the Man Chuen. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

**Roosevelt Reads Message To Congress.**

President Roosevelt reading his annual message to the Congress, in the House of Representatives. Seated behind the rostrum are Vice-President Garner (left) and Speaker Rainey. (At left) The President's son James, who accompanied him.

**NIGHT FRACAS IN WANCHAI****Sailor Charged With Striking Woman.****STORY OF EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES**

London, To-day.

Thomas Newman, Master-at-Arms, who was in charge of the naval picket yesterday, said that he took the defendant into custody at Wanchai, as he was being pursued by a Chinese woman, who was covered in blood, and by a crowd of about 30 Chinese. He was with three other sailors at the time.

Complainant declared that defendant struck her in the mouth for no reason.

Shaw admitted that he did strike her but said that it was not done intentionally. The woman interfered with him and asked him if he wanted a girl. He ignored her the first time but she followed and pestered him until he told her to "beat it" and made as if to give her a back-hander, though he did not mean actually to strike her. He had taken a few drinks prior to the incident and was out for a stroll before turning in.

The three sailors who accompanied defendant gave evidence to the same effect.

Sub-Inspector Baker, Inspector in charge of brothels, said that the woman was known to the police as a prostitute and an amah to prostitutes.

Mr. Hamilton, in convicting, said that defendant had no business to strike the woman. He accented his story, however, in extenuation. If he had had no reason for striking the woman he would have got into very serious trouble, added the Magistrate.

Mr. Hamilton ordered defendant to pay \$2 as compensation, adding that as it seemed that he had a very good character and would be dealt with on board his ship, he would only caution him.

**HEAVY PENALTIES FOR SOLICITING.****Six Wanchai Men Gaoled**

Six Chinese, including four rickshaw coolies, were charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Police Court this morning with soliciting sailors on behalf of prostitutes at Wanchai.

All were convicted and in all but one case fine of \$150, in default three months' hard labour, were imposed.

In the sixth case, that of a man who had only recently been sent to Canton as a bad character, accused was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

**WEATHER REPORT**

Fine, with moderate north-easterly winds, is the forecast issued to-day by the Royal Observatory.

To-day's Short Story.

**THE SWORD-SWALLOWER MURDER**

By Ellis Parker Butler.

PHILO GUBB, paper-hanger and detective, who had taken the Correspondence Course in Twelve Easy Lessons supplied by the Rising Sun Detective School, pushed his way closer to the platform in the side show of the great Rumford Brothers' Circus and gawked at Tlom-Tlom, the Fiji Island Scorpion Eater. Tlom-Tlom was not eating scorpions at the moment; the lecturer was orating at the other side of the tent, telling how wonderful Zozo, the beautiful snake-charmer, was.

As Philo Gubb, who was a gawky as a flamingo and resembled one, stared at Tlom-Tlom, a fuzzy little man pushed up behind him. He was Dr. Mullick, a local physician.

"He's a fake; nobody can eat live scorpions," the doctor declared easily.

"He couldn't unless he drunk down a quart of insect poison into his stomach first to drown the scorpion to death in," Philo Gubb agreed.

"That would kill him," said Dr. Mullick. "He's a fake. All these freaks are fakes. They can't fool me. There aren't scorpions—they're crawfish I'd eat one myself—I'd eat a dozen."

"Boss," said Tlom-Tlom, speaking quite good English, "you is one of dese smart guys—but he was interrupted by a piercing scream.

On the platform across the tent the beautiful Zozo was standing with both hands pressed against her face while she looked down with horror at Orrin McDowell, the sword-swallowing, who was writhing in a death agony. Even as scream after scream issued from Zozo's mouth Orrin McDowell ceased writhing and lay inert instead.

The vast crowd that had been watching the sword-swallowing give its performance a moment before, pushed closer. Those who had been entering or leaving the tent to see what was happening.

Every uniformed attendant ran to the scene of the sudden death, and Philo Gubb strode across the intervening space, closely followed by Dr. Mullick. The giant picked up the dwarf and held him on his shoulder so that both could see and the Wild Man of Bernoe in his excitement grasped his tom-tom and began beating upon it madly, dancing high and chanting the Bernoe death-song.

"Keep back! Keep back!" the attendants shouted, pushing at the crowd. "Snake loose! Poison

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snake loose!" and the crowd backed away from the platform as suddenly as it had gathered there. Philo Gubb by stretching his long neck was able to see over the crowd's heads, and he pushed forward through it. Dr. Mullick, although short and stout, was able to work his way to the front by repeating, "I'm a doctor; make way, please! I'm a doctor!" and when he reached the front he was boosted on to the platform. The strong man, whose stand was next to that of the dead sword-swallower, gave him a hand.

A rapid but careful examination of the body of the dead man followed.

"Heart disease," the little doctor announced as he got to his feet. "It could be nothing else unless he was bitten by a Cerastes Amazinus, the deadly green asp of Brazil. The symptoms—"

He was interrupted by a wild cry uttered by the beautiful Zozo. She turned and looked down into a glass case of small serpents that stood at the edge of her platform.

"It's gone!" she cried. "My Amazon asp is gone!"

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**SEVEN MURDERERS ESCAPE.****FRENCH QUOTA POLICY.****Warder Seized And Tied To Bed.****DARING COUP IN PORTUGAL**

London, To-day.

Discussions between the British and French Governments in regard to France's new quota policy are still proceeding.

Lt.-Colonel D. J. Colvill, Parliamentary Secretary for Overseas Trade, replying for the President of the Board of Trade, to a House of Commons question, said that it was to permit of such discussion that the French Government were allowed 10 days before the British Government adopted retaliatory measures.—British Wireless Service.

**HOME FOOTBALL.**

(Results on page one.)

**SECOND DIVISION TABLE TO DATE**

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Grimbsy	27	20	7	0	67	57	51
Brentford	27	14	8	5	60	46	41
Port Vale	27	14	9	4	59	83	32
Bolton	26	14	10	2	50	42	30
Plymouth	27	11	8	8	65	49	30
Bury	28	11	9	8	49	54	30
Preston	26	12	9	5	48	36	29
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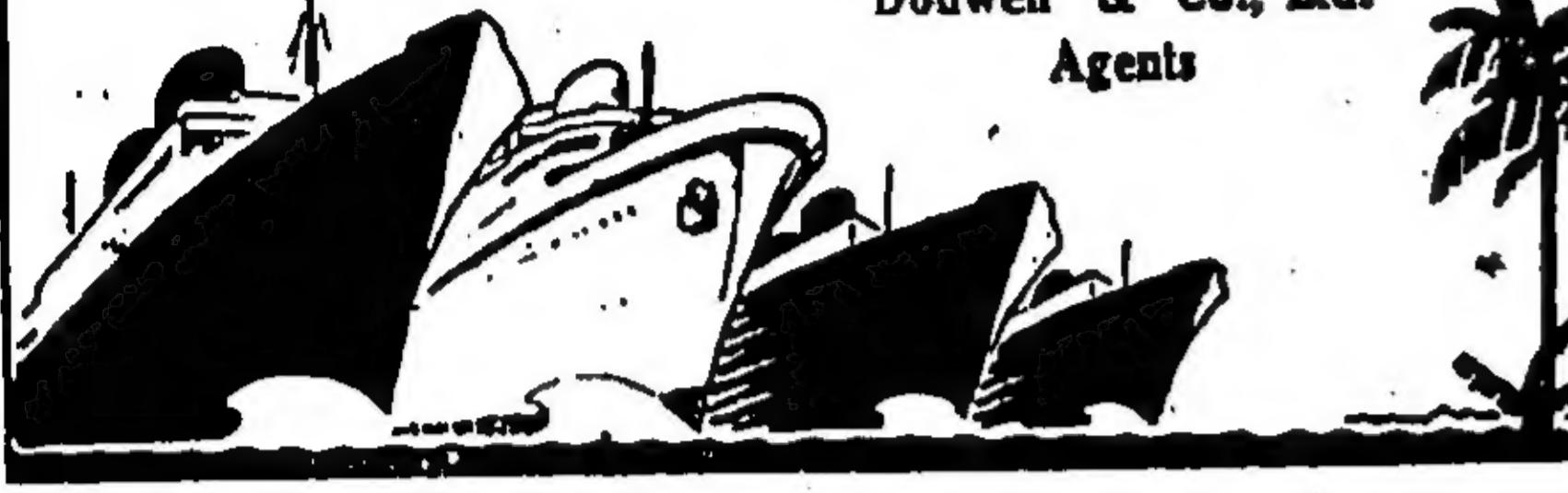
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**SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.**  
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HEIAN MARU (starts from Kobe) ..... Saturday, 10th Mar.  
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KITANO MARU ..... Saturday, 24th Feb.  
ATSUTA MARU ..... Saturday, 24th Mar.  
**BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.**  
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TOKIWA MARU ..... Thursday, 1st Mar.  
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## The Sword-Swallower Murder

(Continued from Page 9.)

Under the platform was a chest, painted blue, with the words "O. McDowell, Rumford Bros. Shows" in black. This was evidently the sword-swallowing kept his swords, saws and other articles used in his act. To the right, under the next section of the platform, was another similar chest, also painted blue, but the lettering on this was "Samson, Rumford Bros. Shows." This was evidently the property of the strong man, whose seat had been next to that of the sword-swallower.

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#### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Steamer

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown where they will be examined on the 8th instant, at 10 a.m., by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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## Sued by Duke



Because she rebuked him in a magazine article, Lady Sibell Lyon, 26-year-old daughter of the Earl of Beauchamp, is being sued for damages in London by the Duke of Westminster, who is her uncle. Lady Sibell, who is a Socialist, chided the wealthy duke for spending too much money in France while Britons are hungry.

The little doctor stopped to take breath.

"If you want to know," he declared, glaring at Mr. Gubb, "I said crowbar because a crowbar killed this McDowell. The last thing he thrust down his throat was a crowbar. It pushed his stomach against his heart and killed him. That's all there is to it. The next thing you'll be finding a yellow hair and yelping, 'A yellow hair! Murder has been done!' You're a fool!"

"Woozy, that's what he is," said Joe. "Woozy in the head."

Detective Gubb paid no attention to this. The two huskies had put the body of the world-swallower on the stretcher and were carrying it from the tent, followed by Dr. Mullick and Mr. Gubb looked at the platform on which Samson, the strong man, still sat.

The strong man was a low-browed creature with arms like a gorilla, hairy with huge muscles, and he sat scowling with his arms folded across his massive chest.

On the platform at his feet stood the pyramidal iron weights labeled "200lb," "500lb," and "1000lb," and the huge dumb-bells he used in his act. At one side stood a brilliantly painted rack from which hung the chains he broke, and against this stood a couple of iron bars and crowbars that he bent across his biceps. On his other side was a table on which were telephone directories and packs of cards to be torn with his strong hands. He let his eyes glance at Philo Gubb and then looked away indifferently, and Mr. Gubb stood there gawking at him like any rustic.

In a comparatively short time Dr. Mullick returned from the more complete examination of the sword-swallower's body.

"It was heart-disease after all," he said. "Not a fang-mark on any part of the body. He was not bit by a snake."

"The escape of an asp out from its box at the same moment of time that a human person dies of symptoms exactly the same as an asp-bite looks like a biggish sort of coincidence," said Philo Gubb.

The snake-charmer, who had been weeping quietly, looked up as the dispute between Dr. Mullick and Mr. Gubb reached this point.

The tattooed man, who sat at the far side of Miss Zozo, bent forward to look at Mr. Gubb. The strong man gave Mr. Gubb his attention.

All the circus people came closer and stared at him, and the manager of the side-show, Mr. Culkin of the long moustache, pushed forward.

"What kind of a detective are you, talking nonsense like this?" he asked.

"I'm a real detective," said Mr. Gubb simply, throwing open his coat to show the large badge awarded him by the Rising Sun Correspondence School. "I have also likewise into my pocket a diploma proving the same."

That's the kind of detective you are, is it? One of these smart aleck rubes. "Twelve lessons, twenty dollars"—is that it? You're one of the guys that smell a murder every time you stub your toe on a brick, ain't you?"

"It wasn't a brick I stubbed my toe on to," said Philo Gubb patiently. "It was a chunk of ice."

"Brick or ice," said Mr. Culkin, "out you go, Mr. Smart-aleck," and he was about to order two of his men to throw Mr. Gubb out of the tent, when a black-haired little man garbed in a white jacket spoke up. He was the man in charge of the lemonade stand just inside the side-show tent's entrance.

"Wait a minute, boss," he said. "Maybe this guy's got something. This morning I ate a cake of ice from my stand, see? Ten is what I ordered and I find nine, huh?"

He turned to Philo Gubb. "What you know about my ice, sport?"

Mr. Gubb looked at the small dark man with eyes that hardly saw him. He was thinking. "It might be jealousy," he said.

"Hey! Jealousy," exclaimed the lemonade man. "What's that got to do with my cake of ice?"

"My brain was thinking out a thought," explained Mr. Gubb. "A crime has got to have a motive into it and by a possible chance jealousy might be the motive of this murderer."

"Huh!" exclaimed the doctor, still unmollified. "I know what's the trouble with you, Gubb. You think you are a detective because you took that fool series of lessons. If anybody dies anywhere at any time of anything, you see murder in it. And now you keep yelping, 'Crowbars! Crowbars!'"

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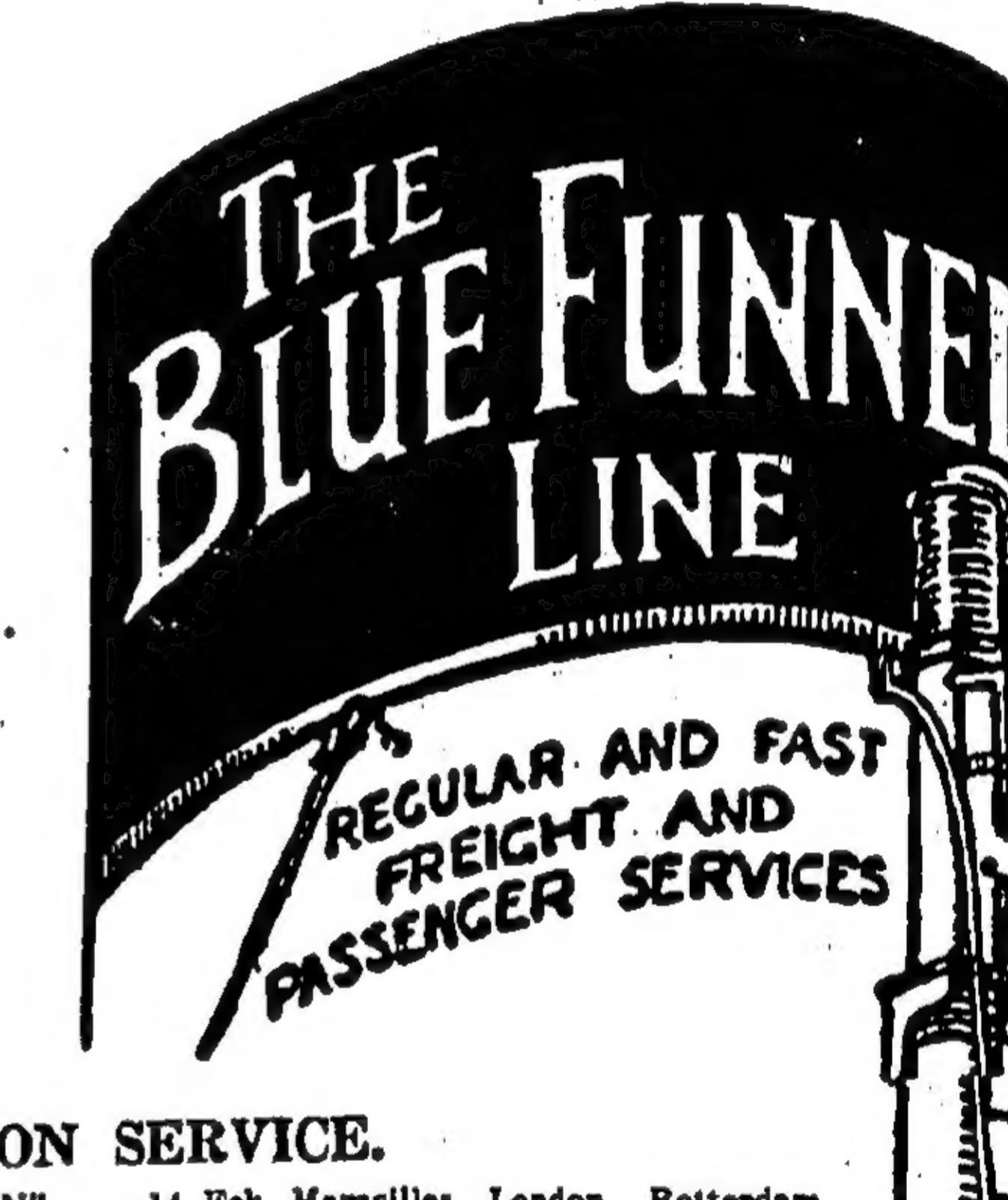
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## INCREASED TOURIST TRAFFIC EXPECTED

### Visitors From Canada And U.S.

### IMPRESSIONS OF LEADING FAR EAST PUBLICIST

That the attention of the United States is turning to the Pacific and the Orient and that Hong Kong and the entire Far East will share in the increased tourist trade during this year, is the opinion of Mr. James King Steele, executive secretary of the Philippine Tourist Association, who has arrived in the Colony on the "President Lincoln," en route to his home in Manila. He is returning from an extended visit to America during part of which he was in charge of the tourist exhibit of the Philippine Islands at the Century of Progress Exhibition in Chicago.

He also made a contact tour and survey of conditions in the principal cities of the United States and Canada, where he conferred with the steamship agents, booking offices and others interested in developing the tourist business to the Orient. According to Mr. Steele, the American public is reacting favourably to the call of the Pacific and the Far East. The low summer fares quoted by the trans-Pacific and round-the-world lines, coupled with increased advertising appropriations by nearly all the transportation companies and booking offices, are partly responsible for arousing this interest, and steamer reservations are heavy for months ahead.

One of the features of the exhibit of the Philippine Islands in Chicago was a large map of the world done in gay colours, showing Hong Kong and the countries of the Asian mainland in relation to the Philippine Islands. "This was the only map of its kind in the whole Exposition," said Mr. Steele "and the interest that it aroused was immense. The discussions of the geography of the Pacific and the development and remarks made by visitors indicated clearly how keenly people were considering the Far East."

"The demand for printed matter and information about the Philippine Islands and the whole Far East was tremendous and exceeded all our estimates."

"Manila will loom large in the Pacific in the next two years, for the Manila Rotary Club has invited the International Pacific Rotary Conference to hold its 1935 meeting there, and this will attract many visitors, who will also visit Hong Kong. We hope that the Rotary Club will plan to send as large a delegation as possible to this important meeting."

"Another great international convention which will be of immense benefit to all countries of the Pacific littoral will be the International Eucharistic Conference, which will be held in Manila in 1936. Both of these meetings will bring thousands of travellers across the Pacific and the movement will be of material advantage to all parts of the Far East."

Mr. Steele is well known in China and all over the world. For more than 20 years he has been associated with the promotion of tourist travel across the Pacific. He was the founder, publisher and editor of the magazine "Japan," is the dean of publicists and writers specializing on the development of tourist traffic, and has done much to improve relations and increase better understanding between the East and the West.

For his work in Chicago, Mr. Steele was awarded the Century of Progress Commemorative Medal, which was struck off by the Fair officials to be presented to distinguished visitors such as General Balbo, the Italian aviator, Signor Marconi, the inventor of wireless, ambassadors and other prominent dignitaries.

While in Hong Kong Mr. Steele will confer with steamship officials, tourist booking offices and hotel people for the increase of business between here and Manila. The exchange is favourable at this time, which should bring a number of visitors during the coming months. Under these conditions it is expected that the attractions of Baguio, the sport and health center of the Orient, with its delightful cool climate all the year round, will influence many of our residents who formerly went to the Chinese coast resorts to spend their holidays there.

## Christmas In Exile.



Avon, France. The Spanish Royal Family journeyed from their exile retreat in Fontainebleau, near here, to attend Christmas Eve midnight services in the tiny parish church in this village. The occasion made possible the first photograph of the former rulers of Spain, and their children since their abdication and departure from their homeland. Ex-King Alfonso and Queen Victoria of Spain are seated, and the Princesses Mariana Christina and Beatrice are seen kneeling with their prayer books. The Princes Don Jaime and Don Gonzales are hidden beyond their mother.

## The Sword-Swaller Murder

(Continued from Page 10.)

"If it was a murder," laughed the manager. "I'd be dead sure nobody would murder McDowell for his money. He hadn't any. He was overdrawn three weeks of his salary and he owed me ten dollars on bet. He never had a cent. Him and Zoso there would have got married long ago if Mac could have saved any money."

"And now he's dead!" moaned Miss Zoso rocking back and forth. "Betting, that was his curse," said Culkin. "A betting fool, that was McDowell. He lost every time." "Not always," said the tattooed man, leaning forward to speak past Miss Zoso. "He won one. Maybe the surprise of winning was too much for him and he dropped dead of shock."

"Me!" exclaimed the tattooed man. "You don't mean me, do you?"

"I said you," said Philo Gubb. It was but a few minutes before Mr. Culkin, still grinning, returned with Sheriff Witz. From his hip the sheriff took a large pistol and, having examined it carefully, approached Mr. Gubb.

"What's all this?" he asked. "Who do you want arrested?"

Mr. Gubb turned and pointed his long fore-finger at Samson, the strong-man.

"Arrest that man for the murder of Mr. McDowell," he said.

To the surprise of everyone but Philo Gubb himself, the strong-man uttered an oath and leaped from the platform. A dozen arms grasped him and pinned him to the sawdust ground. It was a tough struggle, but no strong man is as strong as he pretends to be, and at last he was subdued.

"I give up," he gasped. "I confess, I did it."

In another minute he was bound, ropes being plentiful.

"My star," Gubb exclaimed Dr. Mullick, "how did you guess?"

"Into the detective business we do not guess," said Philo Gubb sternly. "You gave me the first clue, doctor, when you said every freak in this tent was a fake. Joe, hand me one of them chains Mr. Samson breaks into the show. One link in sawed almost through, and plastered with lead. Hand me one of them crowbars. Mr. Samson bends over his arm lead, not iron. And hollowed out. Kindly crawl down under here."

"The sap may be there," said the doctor, drawing back.

"It positively ain't," said Mr. Gubb, and he raised the drapery and crawled under the platform, followed by most of those in the tent.

"Was you on the spot when your husband, Mr. McDowell, made his last fatal bet, Miss Zoso?"

Philo Gubb asked, and Mr. Culkin nudged Joe again.

"I was right here," Zoso sobbed.

"Mr. Samson, the strong man, said to him, 'Want a bet, Dowdy?' and I said, 'Don't bet.' Orin: please, don't bet,' but Orin said, 'What's the bet, Sammy?' 'I'll bet you a

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Mr. T. C. Buckley, of Quarry Point, who was summoned at the Central Police Court this morning for reckless driving at North Point, was stated by Inspector Nicol to have knocked down a Chinese coolie outside the Yacht Club.

Mr. Buckley said that he was driving behind a tram-car at the time and accidentally put his foot on the accelerator instead of the brake. The car swerved to the left and struck the coolie.

Inspector Nicol said that Mr. Buckley had given the coolie \$4 as compensation.

A fine of \$10 was imposed.

### NARROW ESCAPE OF WOMAN AND BABY.

Knocked Down By Car  
But Unhurt.

While private car No. 116, belonging to Mr. T. A. G. Brayfield, was proceeding along Connaught Road West at about 11.10 a.m. on Saturday, at a speed of about 16 miles an hour, a woman with a child strapped to her back suddenly ran out into the road.

The front nearside mudguard of the car caught her, knocking her down; but both she and the infant, on examination, were found to be unhurt.

### RECKLESS DRIVING DENIED.

Charge Against Mr.  
D. L. Prophet.

CASE ADJOURNED

Prosecuting Mr. D. L. Prophet, or Messrs. Linstead and Davis, for driving in a reckless manner in Pokfulum Road on January 24, Traffic Sergeant Winslade, at the Central Police Court this morning, said that he saw the defendant travelling at 43 m.p.h. on the Pokfulum Road going toward Aberdeen. He took every corner on the wrong side, added the officer.

The defendant, pleading not guilty, said that he did not think he was travelling at the speed alleged and in his own opinion, considering the condition of the road, he was not driving dangerously.

Mr. Hamilton, the Magistrate, adjourned the case until Friday, adding that he would visit the part of the road named.

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Military authorities keep the number of their women fighters a strict secret, but it is fairly well-known that there are several battalions of infantry, artillery and sappers composed entirely of women.

Recently a cavalry regiment was organised of women who ride like Cossacks, but their duties are more in the line of Red Cross work than actual fighting.

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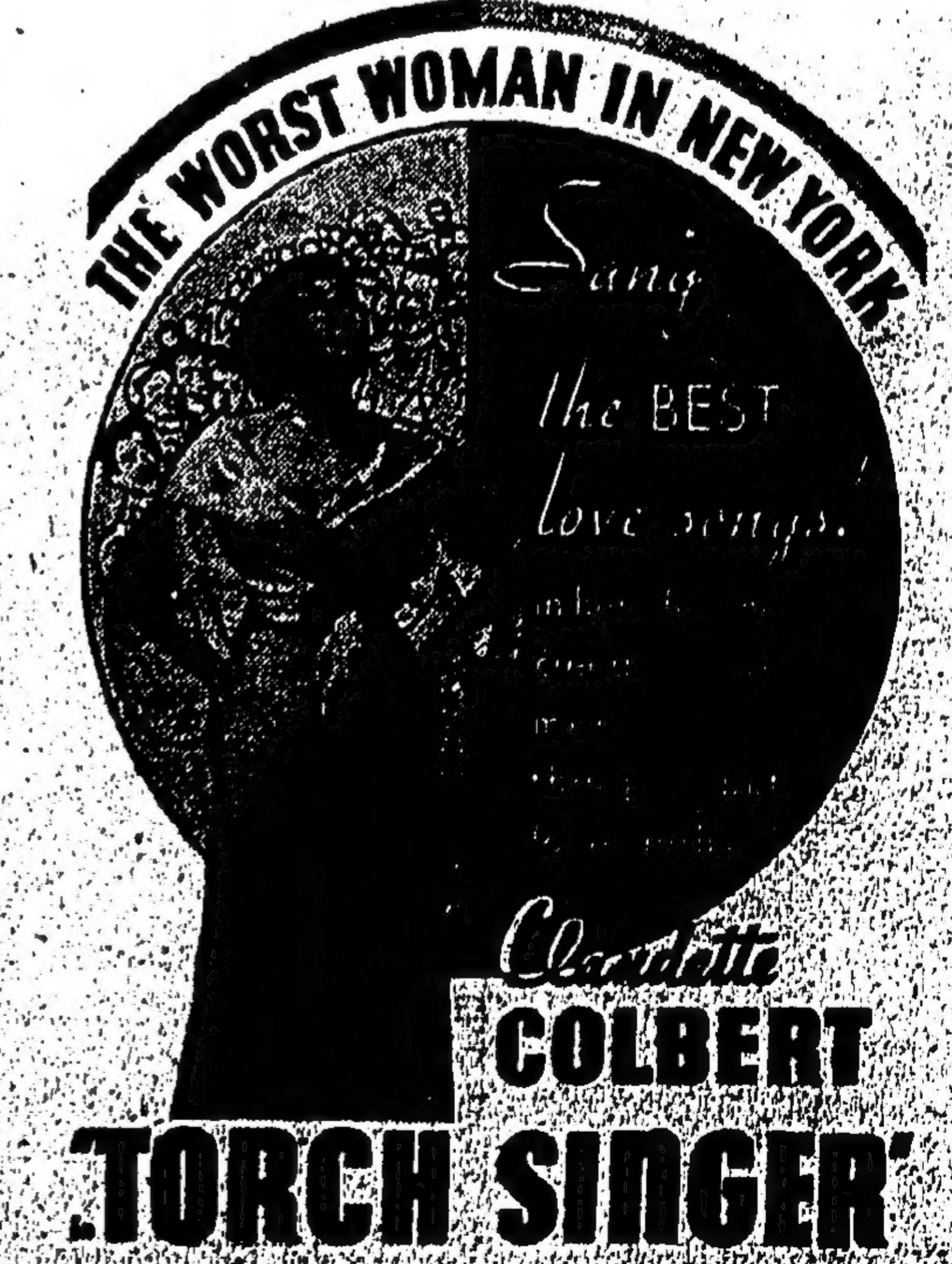
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